

March 29, 2010

Ex Parte

Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, SW
Washington, DC 20554

Re: Fostering Innovation and Investment in the Wireless Communications Market, GN Docket No. 09-157; A National Broadband Plan for Our Future, GN Docket Nos. 09-47, 09-51, 09-137; Unlicensed Operation in the Television Broadcast Bands, ET Docket No. 04-186; Revisions to Rules Authorizing the Operation of Low Power Auxiliary Stations in the 698-806 MHz Band, WT Docket Nos. 08-166 and 08-167; Amendment of Parts 15, 74, and 90 of the Commission's Rules Regarding Low Power Auxiliary Stations, ET Docket No. 10-24

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On March 26, 2010, Dan Reed, Vice President of Technology Strategy and Policy for Microsoft Corp., Paula Boyd of Microsoft, and Paul Margie and S. Roberts Carter on behalf of Microsoft met with Commissioner Copps and his Legal Advisor John Giusti, Commissioner Baker and her Legal Advisor Charles Mathias, Bruce Gottlieb of Chairman Genachowski's office, and Ruth Milkman, James Schlichting, and Paul Murray of the Wireless Bureau.

During these meetings, Microsoft thanked the Commission for its hard work in producing the National Broadband Plan. In particular, Microsoft expressed its support for the Plan's conclusion that action is needed in the near term to meet the growing demand for both licensed and unlicensed broadband spectrum.¹ Microsoft also stressed the importance of resolving pending issues in the white spaces proceeding quickly to allow companies to move forward to enable access to this underutilized spectrum.² Finally, Microsoft reviewed its proposal to find a

¹ See, e.g., Ex Parte letter of Craig Mundie, Chief Research & Strategy Officer, Microsoft Corp., GN Docket No. 09-51, *attaching* Richard Thanki, The Economic Value Generated by Current and Future Allocations of Unlicensed Spectrum (Sep. 2009); Reply Comments of Microsoft Corp., GN Docket Nos. 09-51, 09-157 (filed Nov. 5, 2009); Comments of Dell Inc. and Microsoft Corp. – NBP Public Notice # 26, GN Docket Nos. 09-47, 09-51, 09-137 (filed Dec. 21, 2009).

² See Petition for Reconsideration of Dell, Inc. and Microsoft Corp., ET Docket No. 04-186 (filed March 19, 2009); Consolidated Opposition to Petitions for Reconsideration of Dell, Inc. and Microsoft Corp., ET Docket No. 04-186 (filed May 8, 2009); Dell, Inc. and Microsoft Corp. Reply in Support of Petition for Reconsideration, ET Docket No. 04-186 (filed May 18, 2009).

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path forward for currently unauthorized TV band wireless microphones while ensuring that this spectrum is used efficiently and effectively.³

Pursuant to the Commission's rules, a copy of this notice is being filed electronically in the above-referenced dockets. If you require any additional information please contact the undersigned.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Paul Margie", is written over the typed name.

Paul Margie

cc: meeting participants

³ See Comments of Dell Inc. and Microsoft Corp., WT Docket Nos. 08-166, 08-167, ET Docket No. 10-24 (filed Mar. 1, 2010); Reply Comments of Dell Inc. and Microsoft Corp. (filed Mar. 22, 2010).