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Ms. Marlene H. Dortch
Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 - 12th Street, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20554

Ex Parte

Re: Notice of Ex Parte Presentation -- Requests for Waiver of Various Petitioners to Allow the Establishment of 700 MHz Interoperable Public Safety Wireless Broadband Networks, PS Docket No. 06-229.

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On February 3, 2011, Greg Obenchain of the Edison Electric Institute (EEI), Tracey Steiner and David Predmore of the National Rural Electric Cooperative Association (NRECA), and Mike Oldak and the undersigned of the Utilities Telecom Council (UTC) met with Jennifer Manner, Brian Hurley, Behzad Ghaffari, Pat Amodio, Yoon Chang, Erika Olsen, and Genaro Fullano of the Public Safety and Homeland Security Bureau regarding matters in the above-referenced proceeding.

During the meeting, EEI, NRECA and UTC explained that utilities and other critical infrastructure industries (CII) provide public safety services and are eligible to use 700 MHz public safety spectrum. They also urged the FCC to permit fixed as well as mobile operations on a primary basis in the 700 MHz public safety spectrum. Finally, they expressed the interest of the industry in participating in groups, such as the Emergency Response Interoperability Center, involved in the development of a technical and operational framework for the deployment and operation of 700 MHz public safety systems.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned.

Respectfully,

Brett Kilbourne

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Brian Hurley
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