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Ms. Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street SW
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Comments Regarding Technical Working Group Report, IB Docket No. 11-109

Ms. Dortch:

As a Peace Corps Volunteer, I have seen firsthand, how access to reliable internet is a necessity today for emerging democracies and nations. I write you today to ask you to support LightSquared's effort to create a new national high speed broadband wireless network here in the US. Their plan will increase the spectrum available for wireless internet and help bring high speed internet access to over 95% America; the true hallmark of a First World nation.

I also have seen how important public and private investment in infrastructure is to nation-building. As our ability to publicly finance these undertakings decreases, it is important that we seize the opportunity of a privately funded effort that will help end the "digital divide" here at home, create domestic jobs, and put in place a nationwide wireless broadband network. The network will integrate satellite and land-based towers to bring coverage to reservations, rural areas, and disadvantaged communities; areas that have lacked the investment in infrastructure in the past.

I know the FCC is dealing with the potential for interference with GPS navigation but I have read in the Working Group's report that "Consensus was reached that the Lower 10 MHz operation appears to provide significantly improved compatibility with GPS across all urban, suburban and rural coverage areas." I believe this makes the effort viable for your approval.

Sincerely,

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