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

DISTRICT 54

Re: LightSquared Technical Working Group Report; IB Docket No. 11-109

Counties:
Crittenden

Dear Ms. Dortch,

First responders use many devices that rely heavily on mobile Internet access. It is very important that our public safety officials have reliable access to a network that has the speed to power the new technology fire and police officers are using today. LightSquared's 4G-LTE network will enhance communications capabilities for first responders and others in the public safety community.

I have the honor of serving Arkansas's 54th District, and I want to be sure that we have the best equipment for our safety officials and first responders in order to keep our citizens safe. With my experience in the emergency services industry, I know the need for top quality wireless service to communicate with each other and with those individuals in need. LightSquared's new network would ensure that our community has this extremely important wireless access.

There has been an issue with potential interference of LightSquared's network among the GPS community, which the FCC should address. However, from the working group testing of LightSquared's interference levels, there was little to no noticeable GPS interference seen at cell sites where LightSquared transmitted only on the lower frequency, including at sites equipped with original GPS antennas. Additionally, LightSquared's offer to introduce operations only in the lower band of the spectrum takes care of 99.95% of GPS receivers.



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It is apparent that LightSquared is committed to the nation's public safety community. It continues to have Push-to-Talk and other critical communications features that our safety officials have come to depend on. Given the grave need for first responders to have access to reliable, high-bandwidth communications technology, I hope you will support LightSquared's efforts so that it can move forward with its plans to upgrade the nation's wireless broadband capability and allow public safety providers to employ this important technology.

Best Regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Hudson Hallum".

Hudson Hallum
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