



BOBBY JINDAL
GOVERNOR

State of Louisiana
Governor's Office of Homeland Security
and
Emergency Preparedness

PAT SANTOS
INTERIM DIRECTOR

August 4, 2011

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

In Re: PS Docket No. 06-226
Ex Parte presentation

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On Tuesday, August 2nd, Brant Mitchell (representing the Louisiana Governor's Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Preparedness and on behalf of the State of Louisiana), Jennifer Cetta of Patton Boggs, LLP (representing the City of Baton Rouge, LA), and Raj Iyer, Rishi Bhaskar and Chuck Powers, all from Motorola Solutions, Inc., met via conference call and in person with Deputy Bureau Chief Jennifer Manner, Associate Bureau Chief Gene Fullano, Special Counsel Erika Olsen, and Brian Hurley, all of the Public Safety and Homeland Security Bureau.

The meeting was held to discuss the status of the State of Louisiana's waiver request ("Waiver") seeking permission for early deployment of a state-wide 700 MHz wireless broadband Public Safety communications network.

During the meeting, Mr. Mitchell and Ms. Cetta explained the current status of planning for deployment of a 700 MHz broadband Public Safety communications network in the State of Louisiana ("the State"), and potential opportunities to leverage existing funding for supporting near-term deployment of components of that network. Also discussed were steps being taken by the State to leverage collaboration with other jurisdictions chartered with addressing Public Safety issues within the State.

Specific topics addressed during the meeting included:

- The significant advances that the State of Louisiana has made in recent years regarding state-wide collaboration on Public Safety narrowband voice networks,

and the desire to leverage that collaboration for broadband Public Safety deployment.

- The State's plans for its overall public safety communications architecture, to be based on existing commercial LTE solutions. .
- Existing projects at the state and city level, and options for leveraging existing funding to assist in facilitating the build-out of components of the planned broadband Public Safety network.
- The current site planning that has taken place, with 80 eNodeB sites identified, based on the State's coverage requirements.
- Potential opportunities for cooperation with neighboring states, as plans for 700 MHz broadband Public Safety networks are developed in those states.
- The appropriate next steps for providing the Commission with additional information about the State's plans, and the needed steps for obtaining the necessary 700 MHz license if/when the Waiver is granted.

As a result of this discussion, it is expected that the State of Louisiana, working with various city and parish public safety jurisdictions within the State, will draft and submit additional documentation into the record that outlines many of the issues and plans that were discussed, in order to support a request to expedite the grant of its Waiver currently pending before the Commission.

Respectfully Submitted,

/s/ Brant Mitchell

Brant Mitchell
Deputy Director
Management, Finance and Interoperability
7667 Independence Ave
Baton Rouge, LA. 70806
(225) 925-7332

CC: (via email)
Jennifer Manner
Brian Hurley
Gene Fullano
Erika Olsen