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

Re: Comment Deadlines Established Regarding the LightSquared Technical Working Group  
Report, IB Docket No. 11-109

Dear Ms. Dortch:

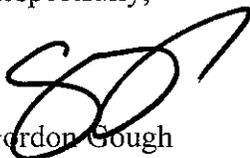
As Executive Director of the Ohio Association of Convenience Stores I am constantly watching for issues that could have a direct impact on my members. The businesses that make up the Ohio Association of Convenience Stores are a lot of small family owned businesses trying to survive in this tough economy. Given their struggles I am amazed that there would be any delays for an opportunity to increase our nation's wireless capabilities.

As you know LightSquared is trying to establish a nationwide 4G-LTE broadband wireless network. This efforts would expand the broadband wireless spectrum at a time when demand for wireless data access is truly exploding. Many of my members are in rural parts of Ohio and need greater access to broadband. This increased access could have tremendous impact and benefits for small businesses like those that make up our Association.

I have reviewed and understand the concerns raised by the GPS industry. However I also understand that LightSquared has made a continued effort to address these concerns. It seems very shortsighted to delay LightSquared's efforts over issues that could be easily solved if the GPS were simply willing to work with LightSquared. I urge you to support LightSquared's continued effort to build this important network so that members like mine have the ability to seek increased business opportunities.

LightSquared's ability to move forward could have a real impact not only here in Ohio but across the nation and should not be denied the right to proceed..

Respectfully,



Gordon Gough  
Executive Director