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FCC Mail Room

February 3, 2012

Ms. Marlene Dortch, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th St, SW
Washington, D.C. 20554

Re: IB Docket No. 11.109

Dear Ms. Dortch:

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on LightSquared's proposed national wireless broadband network.

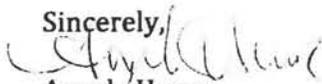
I have been a manager for a large hotel for the past 15 years, and find myself concerned about the current state of the economy in my home state. I believe it's important to allow this project to continue because of what it means in terms of jobs, education, public safety, innovation and economic growth.

As stated in the FCC's National Broadband Plan, "Broadband can and must serve as a foundation for long-term economic growth, ongoing investment, and enduring job creation." The LightSquared network will demonstrate the reality of that policy goal, without public funding

I will soon be transitioning into a new career as a nurse in a hospital in a smaller town in Maine. The LightSquared project has important implications in health care and telemedicine services for medical networks, applications and devices that rely on fast, reliable wireless broadband.

Please help find a resolution to the GPS/LightSquared impasse and allow LightSquared to continue this project.

Sincerely,



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Re: IB Docket No. 11.109

Dear Ms. Dortch:

Thank you for taking public comments on LightSquared and the GPS interference issue.

After following this issue in the news for the past several months, I am disappointed with the FCC handling of LightSquared's proposal. I believe that LightSquare and GPS can co-exist peacefully. Americans should not have to choose between GPS and a competitive broadband wireless network when there are hi-tech solutions available to address interference issues. Plus, in these tough times when many Americans are desperate for jobs, we should be applauding LightSquared's commitment to invest \$14 billion dollars and employ 15,000 people.

Providing a more reliable high-speed network particularly to underserved and rural communities is vital to all areas of public safety, education, and telemedicine.

Thank you for considering my comments.

Sincerely,



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Dear Ms. Dortch:

I am writing to express my support for allowing LightSquared's proposed mobile broadband network to move forward by considering the technological solutions that exist that will allow LightSquared and GPS to coexist.

In a mostly rural state like Maine, we are excited by the opportunities that LightSquared's network could provide; from creating competition and innovation in the wireless industry and most importantly reaching underserved communities by increasing access to affordable wireless broadband.

A recent article in the Huffington Post on January 31st talked about the digital divide that exists in rural Mississippi. Mississippi is unique because it is both the most rural state in the nation and the state with the highest percentage of African Americans- both have been underserved by high-speed Internet. The article states: "Only 60 percent of households in rural America use broadband Internet service, compared with 70 percent of urban households, according to the Department of Commerce. And just over half of all Hispanics and African Americans in the nation use high-speed Internet at home, compared with about 75 percent of whites. "

As someone who currently works professionally with the refugee population, and as a long-standing member of the Maine NAACP, I was troubled to read this article.

LightSquared's wholesale only business model would increase competition, and lower consumer prices, helping close the digital divide. This is important to me and the people I deal with every day.

I appreciate the FCC considering my comments.

Sincerely,


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Re: LightSquared's Petition for Declaratory Ruling

Dear Ms. Dortch:

I would like to again express my support for LightSquared and their proposed 4G-LTE mobile broadband network that can help our country avoid a very real spectrum crisis.

As you know, the demand for spectrum is sky-rocketing. Smartphones use 24 times as much spectrum as "old-fashioned" cellular phones and tablet computers like iPads use 120 times more spectrum. Several other countries have better wireless broadband than the United States and preventing additional spectrum from being available to consumers will only exacerbate this problem.

As I understand the situation, LightSquared has asked that the FCC rule on the use of spectrum by un-licensed users. I sincerely hope that the FCC will act expeditiously and provide some much-needed guidance on this important policy matter.

LightSquared's sustainable wholesale-only business model will increase competition in the mobile broadband market, leading to lower consumer prices and increased access to services and applications through mobile devices. In addition, LightSquared has nearly 40 partners, including one of Kansas City's largest employers - Sprint, to help deliver the benefits of their network to consumers. As the Computer and Communications Industry Association stated, "LightSquared's proposed network will spur innovation, economic growth, and job creation and lead to the entry of numerous new competitors."

Thank you for your consideration. I appreciate your attention in this matter.

Sincerely,

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cc: Assistant Secretary Lawrence Strickling, NTIA

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