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I have reviewed the technical information regarding the potential interference LightSquared's service will impose. Based on my education and experience with radio engineering and my firsthand experience with the use of GPS afloat in ships and boats, I find the interference potential of the service to be an unacceptable risk to what has become a critical navigation tool (GPS).

We, the public users of GPS and other communications systems, rely of the FCC to retain the integrity of existing systems, especially when those systems provide as critical services as does the GPS sytem.

I most strongly support the FCC's decision to stop LightSquared's currrent proposal.