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The Honorable Julius Genachowski  
Chairman  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 12th Street, SW  
Washington, DC 20554

Re: IB Docket 11-109

Dear Mr. Chairman:

I want to convey my support for an efficient and fair resolution to the issues regarding GPS receivers operating in the L-band frequencies that for some time now have been assigned to LightSquared. As you may know, LightSquared is seeking approval to deploy a nationwide integrated satellite and high-speed wireless broadband network.

I own and operate a small business in a rural area with limited broadband access. I recognize this is not only an inconvenience for many of our residents, but it also puts our community at a disadvantage in attracting jobs and economic growth.

However, I think LightSquared's network would help our area and other rural areas across the nation. Ordinary citizens would be able to access affordable satellite communication capabilities from literally anywhere in the country – even small rural communities. Furthermore, LightSquared's wholesale partnerships with rural and regional carriers and device manufacturers would help increase competition in the 4G wireless market, leading to more choices and lower cell phone bills for consumers.

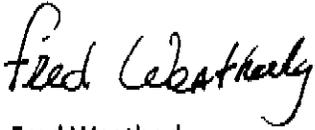
The huge popularity of smartphones and tablets, which use considerably more bandwidth than older phones, has caused demand for wireless broadband spectrum capacity to quickly outweigh our supply. Unfortunately, the spectrum that since 2004 has been marked to best meet this demand neighbors the GPS band. It is evident that GPS devices use frequencies far outside the GPS-allocated spectrum for their signals, but do GPS devices actually have the right to use other entities' spectrum without a specified contract with the licensed spectrum holder? As part of the trucking industry, I heavily rely on the use of GPS devices. However, I truly believe these technologies can co-exist.

LightSquared's allocated spectrum is optimal for wireless broadband. It's important that as solutions become apparent, allowing all GPS users to continue their functional use of GPS, that

LightSquared is allowed to proceed in bringing its spectrum online for wireless broadband use.

I respectfully request that the FCC address this matter promptly, working to find a way forward that will allow deployment of a new wireless broadband network that would benefit American consumers.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Fred Weatherly". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, prominent initial "F".

Fred Weatherly