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Via Electronic Filing

Ms. Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
Office of the Secretary
445 12th Street, SW
Washington, D.C. 20554

Re: Ex Parte Notice, WT Docket No. 11-69, ET Docket No. 09-234

Dear Ms. Dortch:

Pursuant to 47 C.F.R. § 1.1200, et seq., Harris Corporation (“Harris”) hereby notifies the Federal Communications Commission (“Commission”) of the following ex parte communication in the above-referenced proceedings.

On March 23, 2012, Dr. Dennis Martinez and Patrick Sullivan, on behalf of Harris, met with Messrs. David Furth, Roberto Mussenden, Brian Marengo, Bill Lane, Michael Wilhelm, and Ms. Dana Zelman of the Public Safety and Homeland Security Bureau. The discussion centered on an ex parte filed on March 16 by Harris Corporation,¹ detailing the inevitable interference that will result if “low-power” TETRA is allowed to operate in National Public Safety Planning Advisory Committee (NPSPAC) frequencies.

Dr. Martinez noted that Harris supports open competition including use of technologies such as TETRA in Business and Industrial spectrum pools. He also emphasized Harris’ long-standing commitment to promoting competition in the public safety communications marketplace,² and made clear that the level of interference inherent in “low-power” TETRA when operating adjacent to existing public safety communications in NSPAC channels could not be justified from a technical and safety standpoint. The parties discussed the need to protect Public Safety spectrum from harmful interference and clarifying Commission rules that in effect require all digitally modulated waveforms to adhere to the more stringent H-Mask. Further, the parties discussed the need for the Commission to ensure equipment that utilizes public safety spectrum implements the least common form of interoperability via mutual aid.

¹ See Ex Parte Notice, Harris Corporation, WT Docket No. 11-69, ET Docket No. 09-234 (Mar. 16, 2012).

² See, e.g., Letter to Sen. Jay Rockefeller, Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison, Rep. Fred Upton, and Rep. Henry A. Waxman from Harris Corporation, Alcatel-Lucent, Cassidian Communications Inc., Cisco Systems, Inc., Nokia Siemens Networks, Panasonic Solutions Company, RELM Wireless Corporation, and Sprint Nextel Corporation (July 29, 2011) (urging lawmakers to make competition in the public safety market a central legislative priority); see also, e.g., Letter from Harris Corporation, Alcatel-Lucent, Cassidian Communications Inc., Cisco Systems, Inc., Nokia Siemens Networks, Panasonic Solutions Company, and RELM Wireless Corporation to Ms. Marlene H. Dortch, Sept. 9, 2011 (“Simply put, public safety must embrace a culture of competitive sourcing of its networking technology.”).

Respectfully submitted,

/s/

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