



**Missouri House of Representatives**

**STATE REPRESENTATIVE**  
**Kent Hampton 163<sup>rd</sup> District**



March 20, 2012

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

Re: 11-109 Docket, Public Notice Reply Comments

Dear Ms. Dortch:

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the proposed mobile broadband network by a company I have recently learned about, LightSquared.

I represent a rural area in the Bootheel of southeast Missouri. Many of my constituents do not have many options for mobile broadband access. LightSquared is prepared to change the landscape for broadband in my district and across the country.

The company's proposed \$14 billion investment to build and launch an innovative next-generation wireless broadband network would help spur competition and expand the nation's wireless broadband capacity. This is especially beneficial to underserved communities -- and all without a penny of taxpayer money. The numerous benefits increased broadband access offers to not only my constituents, but Americans all over the country, are too great to let this opportunity pass.

Now is the time for the FCC to seriously consider alternative spectrum for LightSquared so that this network can move forward. LightSquared has already invested billions in part to satisfy the FCC's mandate to build a nationwide network that reaches 260 million Americans by 2015. If the FCC fails to make this happen, the Commission will undermine one of the most significant investments in U.S. wireless infrastructure over the past decade.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Kent Hampton". The signature is fluid and cursive.

Kent Hampton  
State Representative

District 163

cc: Senator Roy Blunt  
Senator Claire McCaskill  
Representative JoAnn Emerson  
Assistant Secretary Lawrence Strickling, NTIA