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Federal Communications Commission
Office of the Secretary

Re: WT Docket No. 10-4

Dear Ms. Dortch:

For the past three years the Federal Communications Commission has been considering the use and impact of cellular phone boosters on cellular networks within the United States. I write to express my view that the public is best served by a policy that balances the value of boosters—amplification and distribution of wireless signals in poor signal coverage areas—with the need for technological requirements to avoid interference with network operations or other communication services.

Cellular phone signal boosters can serve the important function of strengthening cellular signals in many underserved and rural communities where reliable cellular phone service may not otherwise be available. Amplification of wireless signals is particularly valuable to emergency first responders who rely on signal boosters to carry out their responsibilities effectively.

At the same time, wireless carriers have raised concerns about low-quality signal boosters interfering with cellular networks. It is my understanding that these technological issues may be resolved by utilizing a set of standards that will assure the integrity of the network operations.

I encourage the Commission to adopt standards that ensure boosters are manufactured and installed pursuant to rigorous specifications, but which also ensure that carriers are not allowed arbitrarily to preclude the use of boosters where those requirements are met. Wilson Electronics of St. George, Utah has teamed up with Verizon and other carriers to propose a set of standards for booster devices that attempts to reach such a compromise. This is a positive step in resolving this issue and I encourage the Commission to take it under strong consideration.

In sum, I believe boosters can provide important benefits to consumers and that any standards adopted should contain strong technical requirements but should also ensure that high-quality boosters remain broadly available.

Sincerely,



Michael S. Lee

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