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Ex Parte

Marlene H. Dortch
Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, SW
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Re: Facilitating the Deployment of Text-to-911 and Other Next Generation 911 Applications, PS Docket No. 11-153; Framework for Next Generation 911 Deployment, PS Docket No. 10-255

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On October 9, 2012, Kathy Grillo, Robert Morse and the undersigned of Verizon, and Susan Sherwood of Verizon Wireless, met with Charles Mathias, Special Counsel for Chairman Genachowski, and David Furth and Patrick Donovan of the Public Safety and Homeland Security Bureau, to discuss matters relating to the above-referenced proceedings.

We discussed the status of interim SMS-based text-to-911 technologies, including Verizon Wireless's current trials in Durham, North Carolina, the State of Vermont, and York County, Virginia (see *Ex Parte* Presentation of Verizon and Telecommunication Systems, Inc., PS Docket Nos. 11-153 and 10-255, filed June 4, 2012). We explained that current and proposed industry standards for LTE are IP-based, whereas SMS-to-911 solutions utilize the legacy circuit-switched network and short messaging service center (SMSC) facilities. Finally, we discussed the IP-enabled real-time-text (RTT) capability, which Verizon Wireless plans to make available to customers concurrently with its Voice over-LTE (VoLTE) service.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Nneka Ezenwa".