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Office of the Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20554

Re: DA 12-1863, IB Docket No. 12-340; RM-11683

Dear Federal Communications Commission:

I have written to the Federal Communications Commission ("FCC") and other Federal agencies and officials in the past to support the efforts of LightSquared to develop a comprehensive 4G network based on both satellite service and traditional terrestrial towers.

I am pleased to write to you today to encourage you to approve LightSquared's recent application for modification of its license authority, so that it may utilize a small portion of the available spectrum for its operations. I'm very familiar with LightSquared's satellite communications services as a long-time provider of reliable, back-up communications following natural disasters like the winter ice-storms we've experienced here in Kentucky in recent years. When cell towers were down and power outages were rampant, emergency responders were able to utilize the company's capabilities to provide critical care to our affected citizens. LightSquared also provided satellite telephones and other equipment to Kentucky disaster relief workers responding to the tornadoes which caused massive destruction in the Eastern part of our state earlier this year.

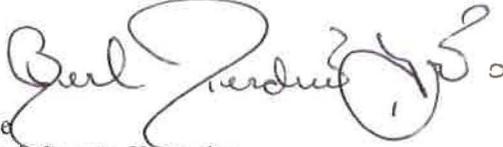
As I have written in the past, I am the elected Sheriff of Clark County, Kentucky, a Central Kentucky agricultural county, in the bluegrass region. As I have also written in the past, cell service is poor in large portions of the rural part of Clark County. As the senior elected public safety official in Clark County, I take public safety very seriously, and so does LightSquared. When I wrote in the past to tell you that its former SkyTerra brand of phones have been provided to Kentucky officials on a number of occasions for public safety use, I didn't know that within a few weeks, a tornado would strike Eastern Kentucky, and LightSquared would again provide the same equipment, under its own corporate name, to our state yet again.

I know that the FCC has a role that goes beyond public safety issues, and that it desires to increase cell and broadband coverage in rural America. I also know that we need to use all of our resources in this information based economy, including making full use of our broadcast spectrum. If we don't, we waste an opportunity to help the economy, and help first responders.

I strongly urge the FCC to help LightSquared meet any regulatory issues that arise, and help it put its revolutionary 4G network into service. The public safety community in Kentucky is very impressed with LightSquared, and I urge the FCC to help bring its benefits to all Kentucky residents. Our public safety officials need the help dealing with day to day emergencies as well as the terrible tornadoes that we have recently suffered, and the ice storms that we fear this winter.

Thank you for your time and attention to this vital issue.

Sincerely,


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Sheriff, Clark County, Kentucky