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The Honorable Julius Genachowski  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 12th Street, S.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20554

Re: Reply Comments to LightSquared's License Modification Application

Dear Chairman Genachowski:

I am writing to you about mobile technology and our nation's economy. Mobile innovation is estimated to have created well over 1 million U.S. jobs over the past four years. A comprehensive review of the economic impact of wireless broadband on the U.S. economy showed that the wireless industry accounted for \$33 billion in productivity improvements for select U.S. businesses. Over the next decade, wireless broadband is projected to account for almost *\$1.5 trillion* in increased productivity. In addition, wireless connectivity provides empowerment opportunities to job seekers, students and families regardless of income.

In light of this landscape, the FCC should grant LightSquared's application to modify its license to give up its existing 10 MHz of spectrum and instead be authorized to share use of 5 MHz that LightSquared can develop into a competitive, nationwide mobile broadband network. As stated in the application, LightSquared is uniquely suited to make this particular 5 MHz block of federal spectrum available to wireless broadband consumers because it is currently authorized to provide service in an adjoining 5 MHz block.

Further, as the Technology Policy Institute stated in their comments, "LightSquared remains the most immediate prospect for becoming a viable competitor in the mobile broadband space, particularly for underserved areas."

The faster we can connect Americans wirelessly, the more secure our nation's economic competitiveness will be. Thank you for your consideration of my comments.

Sincerely,

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cc: U.S. Senator Claire McCaskill  
U.S. Senator Roy Blunt