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

Re: Reply Comment IB Docket No. 12-340 and RM-11683

Dear Ms. Dortch:

Thank you for another opportunity to provide commentary on LightSquared's new proposal to build a nationwide mobile broadband network. As a Virginian, I have closely followed their dogged efforts to move forward over the past few years despite tough economic conditions and even tougher regulatory challenges.

I support their efforts because of their willingness to make critical private investments in our nation's wireless infrastructure and engender the competition in the wireless sector that will allow more Americans to afford participating in the digital economy. Last year, Forbes reported that LightSquared was selling 1 gigabyte of data wholesale for \$7, compared with the \$50 or \$60 the typical cellular customer pays for a similar service. That allows a wireless technology company such as Reston-based Simplexity to provide privately branded LTE mobile data services to its own customers with significant value-add. LightSquared's nationwide buildout would also give small wireless device start-ups in California the freedom to affordably expand their business to other parts of the country, including Virginia.

In addition to thousands of jobs created by the billions LightSquared would be investing in infrastructure and network architecture across the country, the company's ability to truly make a difference in rural and underserved markets must be strongly weighed. For example, ESCO Technologies noted that LightSquared would better help their company bring critical mobile broadband connectivity to Assisted living facilities based in rural locations. Although Oklahoma-based YourTel America generally serves a different underserved market segment, namely low-income customers, LightSquared's network makes a similar impact by enabling partners to bring a better service to more customers at a more affordable rate.

As I understand LightSquared can help the FCC expeditiously put more spectrum in the hands of consumers and entrepreneurs, I urge you to begin the proceedings letting the company move forward. Additionally, I hope you will consider LightSquared's private investment, job generation as well as their potential to beneficially increase innovation and competition in the wireless market.

Sincerely,

Foxhall A. Parker, IV

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Foxhall Parker". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned below the typed name.