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The Honorable Julius Genachowski, Chairman
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, SW
Washington, DC 20554

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

Dear Chairman Genachowski:

I am proud that many members of my family work at Whirlpool. My husband and his father, former mayor of Benton Harbor, worked hard to keep Whirlpool in SW Michigan and our community is all the better for it. In order to grow, we need to stay ahead of the curve globally, and that's saying a lot coming from an 81 year old woman.

We need to improve our mobile broadband network. While most urban areas in our state have adequate service that is not always the case. In my travels in Michigan there are often significant areas where there are spots with no service and this doesn't include rural counties. Many areas in Northern Michigan have no service whatsoever. That causes a real danger to individuals in an emergency situation.

LightSquared will help address this issue and it is my request that the Federal Communications Commission approve the company's proposal to begin service. It is my hope that LightSquared will help expand service coverage as well as push the other companies to improve their networks to keep up with their competition.

We need action from the FCC as soon as possible and I ask that you take my views into consideration as you decide this issue.

Thank you.

Sincerely,



Patricia Brown

cc:

Senator Carl Levin
Senator Debbie Stabenow
Representative Fred Upton