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Mignon Clyburn  
Acting Chairwoman  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 Twelfth Street SW  
Washington, DC 20554

Re: RM-11685 (Globalstar Petition for Rulemaking)

Dear Chairwoman Clyburn:

I am the Sheriff of Kimball County, Nebraska and am writing to urge the Federal Communications Commission to support Globalstar's petition to offer terrestrial services. I have used Globalstar's SPOT products and services for several years and have integrated them into many different law enforcement applications within my department, including providing an extra layer of communication and safety for our deputies and ensuring that prisoners are properly tracked during transportation. Further, I find them extremely valuable with our Emergency Management Agency. Globalstar's services are both inexpensive and highly reliable, and I have written about my use of these services in several published articles for the Sheriff's Association.

We have considered purchasing satellite phones for our department, but the price of the handsets and the service plans can be prohibitively expensive and difficult to justify given the budget constraints under which we currently operate. Globalstar's offer to provide its satellite services free of charge in disaster areas is greatly appreciated and we would encourage the Commission to act on its requested relief in order to make satellite services more affordable to law enforcement and emergency first responders around the country.

Sincerely,



Harry J. Gillway  
Sheriff, Kimball County, NE