



September 25, 2013

**Ex Parte**

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

*Re: Revision of Part 15 of the Commission's Rules to Permit Unlicensed National Information Infrastructure (U-NII) Devices in the 5 GHz Band, ET Docket No. 13-49*

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On September 23, 2013, Kathy Zachem and David Don of Comcast Corporation, and Paul Margie on behalf of Comcast, met separately with Commissioner Pai and his chief of staff Matthew Berry and Commissioner Rosenworcel and her senior legal advisor David Goldman. In addition, Ms. Zachem and Messrs. Don and Margie, along with Ken Falkenstein and Joe Attanasio of Comcast and Rob Carter on behalf of Comcast, met with Office of Engineering and Technology Chief Julius Knapp and Geraldine Matise, Mark Settle, Karen Rackley, Aole Wilkins, Navid Golshahi, Renee Gregory, and Bryant Wellman of OET.

During these meetings, Comcast explained that enabling additional Wi-Fi access in the 5 GHz band in the near term is critical to meet rapidly expanding Wi-Fi demand and to fully implement the IEEE 802.11ac "gigabit Wi-Fi" standard. Comcast therefore respectfully urged the Commission to move ahead with an order adopting new rules to allow additional unlicensed broadband investment in the 5 GHz band. Comcast explained that while FCC action is needed across all U-NII bands on an expedited basis, the FCC should move faster in individual bands whenever it is possible. Comcast noted that, for example, as a result of the Department of Defense determination that it does not require future access to U-NII-1, immediate action on that band is now in the public interest. Finally, in the OET meeting, Comcast reviewed the presentation recently submitted to OET by the National Cable & Telecommunications Association illustrating that expanded Wi-Fi access in the U-NII-1 band will successfully co-exist with incumbent feeder links in that band.<sup>1</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> See Letter from Rick Chessen, National Cable & Telecommunications Association to Ms. Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary, Federal Communications Commission, ET Docket No. 13-49 (Sep. 23, 3013).

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Pursuant to the Commission's rules, a copy of this notice is being filed electronically in the above-referenced docket. If you require any additional information please contact the undersigned.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Paul Margie".

Paul Margie  
*Counsel for Comcast Corporation*

cc: meeting participants