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Ex Parte

Ms. Marlene H. Dortch
Secretary
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Re: Technology Transitions Policy Task Force, GN Docket 13-5; Policies Regarding Mobile Spectrum Holdings, WT Docket No. 12-269; Expanding the Economic and Innovation Opportunities of Spectrum Through Incentive Auctions, GN Docket No. 12-268

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On Thursday, January 23, 2014, Kathleen Grillo of Verizon met with Matthew Berry, Chief of Staff to Commissioner Pai.

Ms. Grillo explained that consumers have long been transitioning to new broadband and IP-based wireless and wireline services. Verizon is employing the best technologies available to provide quality service to its customers. There are already fewer than a million served by copper in areas where Verizon has deployed fiber. She urged the Commission to proceed cautiously in taking action related to the IP transition and not allow legacy regulations to impede the progress already underway.

With respect to spectrum, Ms. Grillo urged the Commission to update the spectrum screen to include all suitable and available spectrum. Today, the spectrum screen omits substantial amounts of spectrum that are available for, and are actually being used to provide, commercial mobile broadband services. She stated that in particular, the spectrum Sprint is deploying to provide 4G LTE service (its 2.5 GHz Broadband Radio Service and Educational Broadband Service spectrum) must be added to the screen.

Ms. Grillo also discussed the broadcast TV incentive auction. The Commission should reject requests to restrict the ability of Verizon and AT&T to participate in the auction, which will reduce auction revenues and risk outright auction failure. Instead, it should adopt rules that encourage the broadest possible participation by broadcasters and wireless carriers alike, in order

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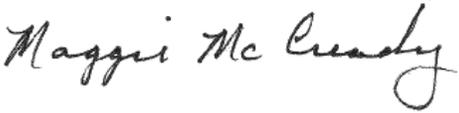
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to maximize the amount of spectrum re-purposed for mobile broadband and fund FirstNet and deficit reduction.

This letter is being filed pursuant to Section 1.1206 of the Commission's rules. Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Maggi McCreedy". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned below the word "Sincerely,".

cc: Matthew Berry