



February 4, 2014

Marlene H. Dortch
Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 Twelfth Street, S.W.
Washington, DC 20554

Re: *Ex Parte* Submission PS Docket Nos. 06-229, 10-255, 11-153, 11-160, 12-04, 12-333, 13-42, 13-75, 13-209, WT Docket No. 06-150, RM-11663

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On Friday, January 31, 2014, Brian Scarpelli and Mark Uncapher of the Telecommunications Industry Association (“TIA”),¹ Bob Dix of Juniper Networks (Chair, TIA Cybersecurity WG) and Patrick Sullivan of Harris (Chair, TIA Public Safety Communications WG), along with Jeffrey Marks of Alcatel-Lucent, Kelley Shields of Ericsson, Derek Khlopin of Nokia Solutions Networks, Roy McClellan of Cassidian Communications (by conf. bridge), John Miller of Intel (by conf. bridge), Clare Adams of McAfee, Cathy Seidel of Motorola Solutions, Paul Schomburg of Panasonic, met with Admiral David Simpson, Chief of the Federal Communications Commission’s (“Commission”) Public Safety and Homeland Security Bureau (“PSHSB”), in addition to David Furth, Erika Olsen, and Renee Roland, all of PSHSB.

In this meeting, TIA outlined its strong interest in the Bureau’s priorities and its active participation as a member of the Commission’s Communications Security, Reliability and Interoperability Council’s (“CSRIC”), as well as other forums. Participants stressed their support for a nationwide, interoperable public safety broadband network and outlined their support of the collaborative relationship between the Commission and the First Responder Network Authority (“FirstNet”). TIA expressed its appreciation for the Commission’s resolution of the Band 14 device issue.² Regarding other equipment transition issues, TIA representatives noted the challenge in striking the right balance between innovation and product use cycles

¹ TIA is a Washington, DC-based trade association and American National Standards Institute (ANSI)-accredited standard developer that represent the global information and communications technology (“ICT”) manufacturer, vendor, and supplier community. TIA represents approximately 500 participating companies producing products and services empowering communications in every industry and market, including healthcare, education, security, public safety, transportation, government, the military, the environment, and entertainment. See <http://tiaonline.org/>.

² See Implementing Public Safety Broadband Provisions of the Middle Class Tax Relief and Job Creation Act of 2012; Implementing a Nationwide, Broadband, Interoperable Public Safety Network in the 700 MHz Band; Service Rules for the 698-746, 747-762 and 777-792 MHz Bands, *Second Report & Order* (Oct. 28, 2013).

Regarding cybersecurity, TIA participants reported their engagement on behalf of the ICT manufacturer and vendor community in the various Federal agency activities pursuant to President Obama's February 12, 2013-issued Executive Order 13636 – Improving Critical Infrastructure Cybersecurity,³ as well as their active participation in various other important public-private partnership efforts aside from the CSRIC, including, but not limited to, the U.S. Communications⁴ and Information Technology⁵ Sector Coordinating Councils. TIA also noted that:

- Successful efforts to improve cybersecurity will leverage public-private partnerships and voluntary, consensus-based standards in order to ensure effective collaboration towards addressing current and emerging threats.
- The global nature of the ICT industry requires a global approach to address cybersecurity concerns.
- The U.S. government should work to enable and stimulate greater two-way cyber threat information sharing between and among the public and private sector.
- A global supply chain can only be secured through an industry-driven adoption of standards, best practices, and global standards.

³ See Exec. Order No. 13636, 78 Fed. Reg. 11739 (Feb. 19, 2013).

⁴ See <http://www.commscc.org/>.

⁵ See <http://www.it-scc.org/>.

Pursuant to Section 1.1206 of the Commission's rules,⁶ this letter is being electronically filed via ECFS and a copy of this submission is being provided electronically to the meeting attendees.

Respectfully submitted,

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⁶ See 47 C.F.R. § 1.1206.