



April 2, 2014

Marlene H. Dortch  
Secretary  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 12<sup>th</sup> Street, S.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20554

Re: In the Matter of Improving the Resiliency of Mobile Wireless Communications Networks PS Docket No. 13-239; Reliability and Continuity of Communications Networks, Including Broadband Technologies, PS Docket No. 11-60, Notice of *Ex Parte* Communication

Dear Ms. Dortch:

In times of disaster, whether natural or man-made, reliable, robust emergency communications capability plays a vital role in preserving public safety. During major weather events, such as disruptive storms, a resilient, effective means of broadly and quickly communicating emergency alerts, instructions, or other information to the public can be critically important to maintaining the safety of life and property. Broadcasters have served this role for decades.

The National Association of Broadcasters ("NAB") applauds the Commission's ongoing and important efforts to improve the nation's emergency communications capability. NAB in particular supports the comments submitted by the Mobile EAS Coalition in the above-referenced proceedings, urging the Commission to take a holistic approach to improving the performance of wireless broadband networks, as well as fostering the continued build-out of the IPAWS "network of networks." Mobile EAS deployment could add an additional medium for public alerts and warnings that enhances the information provided to viewers. As the Mobile EAS Coalition notes, by using existing television broadcasting infrastructure, Mobile EAS could deliver emergency alerts reliably and efficiently, without overloading wireless broadband networks.

Respectfully Submitted

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