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VIA ELECTRONIC FILING

Marlene H. Dortch
Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street S.W.
Washington D.C. 20554

Re: Permitted Oral *Ex Parte* Notice
PS Docket No. 07-114

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On April 21, 2014, representatives of NextNav, LLC (“NextNav”) met with staff of the Public Safety and Homeland Security Bureau (“PSHSB”) to discuss NextNav’s progress in deploying its network to support highly accurate indoor location accuracy for E911 emergency first responders. Participating in the meeting on behalf of the Bureau were David Furth, Tim May, Nicole McGinnis, Dana Zelman, Eric Ehrenreich, and Erika Olsen. Participating in the meeting on behalf of NextNav were Gary Parsons, CEO of NextNav; Ganesh Pattabiraman, Founder & President of NextNav; Bruce Cox, Senior Director, Regulatory & Public Safety for NextNav; and the undersigned.

During the meeting, the participants discussed the standardization process for indoor location services such as NextNav’s terrestrial beacon technology. As noted in the March 2013 report of Working Group 3 of the Communications Security, Reliability, and Interoperability Council (“CSRIC”), standardization of indoor location technologies is “crucial for efficient and cost-effective implementation and operation.”¹

In response to this identified need, NextNav and other indoor location technology vendors have been participating in the deliberations of several global standards bodies that are relevant to the process. NextNav, for example, has been working with the 3rd Generation Partnership Project (“3GPP”), the Alliance for Telecommunications Industry Solutions (“ATIS”), and the Open Mobile Alliance (“OMA”) on standardizing a ‘Terrestrial Beacon System’ (“TBS”) for location information, including addressing standards for TBS air interface, and for control plane and user plane messaging between the handset and the network. In parallel

¹ See “Indoor Location Test Bed Report,” CSRIC III, Working Group 3, at 53 (March 14, 2013).

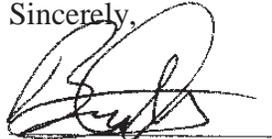
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with the standardization effort, NextNav has continued to work with wireless carriers and manufactures of user devices and chipsets on incorporating NextNav's technology in their products.

All of the stakeholders in the CSRIC Working Group 3 process agreed that completing the standardization process in a timely manner would help speed widespread commercial adoption and facilitate the availability of technologies from multiple sources. This was also reflected in the Working Group 3 report, which expressly noted the expectation of the public safety community that standardization work on indoor location technologies is a priority for all stakeholders.² Consistent with the CSRIC recommendation, the meeting participants also discussed whether the Commission might have a contributory role in the standardization process for indoor location technologies, particularly with respect to encouraging its expeditious completion.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. Please contact the undersigned if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Bruce A. Olcott", is written over a horizontal line.

Bruce A. Olcott
Counsel to NextNav, LLC

² See *id.* at 9.