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Ex Parte

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

Re: Acceleration of Broadband Deployment by Improving Wireless Facilities Siting Policies, WT Docket No. 13-238

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On May 2, 2014, Kathleen Grillo, Tamara Preiss, and Andy Lachance of Verizon met with Roger Sherman, Chief, Wireless Telecommunications Bureau, and Jessica Almond, Nese Guendelsberger, Jeff Steinberg, and Peter Trachtenberg, also in the Wireless Bureau, to discuss issues in the above-referenced proceeding.

Verizon highlighted requests it made in its comments for Commission action to streamline wireless broadband deployment.¹ Those requests are: (1) to exclude from historic preservation review the addition of new antennas (that meet certain parameters) to existing facilities sites on structures that are over 45 years old; and (2) to adopt an exclusion from tribal reviews for collocations on structures over 45 years old.² Verizon noted that these proposals received no opposition in the record and should be adopted quickly by the Commission.

Consistent with its comments, Verizon also asked the Commission to move quickly to (1) eliminate unnecessary historic preservation reviews for small cells and DAS; (2) modify the existing NEPA exclusion to include collocations on other structures and to include associated equipment; (3) adopt an exclusion from the ASR notice requirements for certain temporary towers; and (4) exclude collocations on utility structures from historic preservation reviews.

¹ *Acceleration of Broadband Deployment by Improving Wireless Facilities Siting Policies*, Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, 28 FCC Rcd 14238, WT Docket No. 13-238 (2013) (“Notice”).

² *Acceleration of Broadband Deployment by Improving Wireless Facilities Siting Policies*, WT Docket No. 13-238, Comments of Verizon and Verizon Wireless, filed February 3, 2014, at 16-19, 21-22.



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This letter is being filed pursuant to Section 1.1206 of the Commission's Rules. Should you have any questions, please contact the undersigned.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Jonathan Stein".

cc: (via e-mail)

Roger Sherman
Jessica Almond
Nese Guendelsberger
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