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Secretary
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Re: Application of Harris Corporation for Experimental Special Temporary Authority, File No. 0579-EX-ST-2013

Dear Ms. Dortch:

The First Responder Network Authority ("FirstNet") consents to the application of Harris Corporation ("Harris") for experimental special temporary authority ("Experimental STA") for proposed temporary operation in FirstNet's 700 MHz band spectrum to test and demonstrate Long Term Evolution ("LTE") equipment. Harris plans to test delivery of an LTE signal in remote and rugged settings.

Harris requests short-term authority to test at a location in the Morgan Territory Regional Preserve in Livermore, California from August 2 to August 23, 2013. Harris states that its tests will provide key information on network performance and data delivery in wilderness areas.

The Middle Class Tax Relief and Job Creation Act of 2012 charges FirstNet with incorporating "substantial rural milestones" in its deployment plans.¹ FirstNet must build, manage and operate a "nationwide" public safety broadband network.² That network will cover the 56 states and territories that have varied terrain and demographics.³ Technological innovation plays a key role in meeting this obligation in a cost-effective way. Harris' short-term experimentation has the potential to help further this goal.⁴

FirstNet's concurrence is premised on experimental operations that conform to the following parameters:

- 1) Operation will be confined to a single site in Livermore, California. Harris would test one e-nodeB, two vehicular modems, and a small number of portable devices, all within a one-kilometer radius of the site.
- 2) Harris requests authority from the FCC to operate over the 758-768/788-798 MHz bands, which are currently licensed on a nationwide basis to FirstNet.
- 3) Operation will occur no longer than 21 days from the date on which the FCC grants Harris an Experimental STA, allowing time during that period for setup and testing, demonstrations, and teardown.

¹ 47 U.S.C. § 1426 (b) (3).

² 47 U.S.C. § 1426 (b) (2).

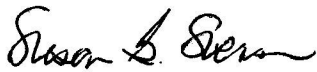
³ 47 U.S.C. § 1401 (31).

⁴ 47 U.S.C. § 1422 (b).

- 4) Harris has analyzed information in the FCC's license databases and states that the proposed operation would not interfere or create a significant potential for harmful interference with any public safety operations in the 700 MHz band.
- 5) Operation of the experimental STA will not be used in mission-critical operations or in the delivery of live transmissions in duties to protect life, property, or safety. Operations will be confined to a one kilometer radius of a single base station.
- 6) Harris has coordinated with Bay Area Regional Interoperable Communications Systems Authority (BayRics). BayRics has submitted a letter confirming that the Experimental STA will not interfere with any planned early deployment in the area.
- 7) This Experimental STA is non-renewable and any Experimental STA use of radio frequencies licensed to FirstNet beyond the 21-day period to which this application refers must be made by a separate request for such use by Harris.
- 8) Harris understands that an experimental license only permits shared use of the subject radio frequencies and that it may have to coordinate with other entities licensed for experimental purposes.

For the reasons given above, FirstNet concurs with the proposed experimental STA for Harris on certain frequencies currently licensed to FirstNet. This consent is subject to the FirstNet's ongoing ability to monitor any operations and use of FirstNet's licensed spectrum.

Respectfully submitted,



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