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Ms. Dana Shaffer
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Public Safety and Homeland Security Bureau
445 12th St., SW
Room 7-C745
Washington, DC 20554

RE: Region 42 support for the NCR plans to deploy a Regional Wireless Broadband Network in parts of
Region 20 – DA 07-454

Dear Ms. Shaffer,

I am writing you in my capacity as the Chairman for Regional Planning Committee 42.

Representatives of the National Capital Region who are also members of Region 20's 700 MHz technical committee have spent some time briefing Region 42 members on both the immediate and future plans for the Regional Wireless Broadband Network (RWBN).

From our review of their plans for the first phase of the RWBN, it is readily apparent that their signal does not encroach upon Region 42 at any point and therefore we concur with this use of the public safety spectrum and are supportive of their licensing these broadband channels for use in the City of Alexandria, VA, the County of Arlington, VA, and the District of Columbia. As licensing of subsequent phases of the RWBN will be done on an individual municipality basis, we would want to review plans for the use of these channels in the municipalities closest to our region for potential conflict with our plans at the initiation of the licensing process for each subsequent phase of this program.

As the RWBN is an exciting public safety communications project and because these licenses should not impact any portion of Region 42, we support this use of the spectrum as being in the best interest of public safety and encourage the Commission to expeditiously grant the NCR the licenses to facilitate deploy of this portion of the RWBN.

Sincerely,

Thomas A. Hanson, Chairman
700 MHz Committee of Region 42

cc: Gary McKelvey, Communications System Supervisor, Loudoun County VA

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