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Ms. Marlene H. Dortch
Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
Office of the Secretary
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Dear Ms. Dortch:

I write to ask you to encourage private-sector development of wireless broadband, which will greatly benefit public safety providers nationally and locally. Specifically, a company called LightSquared is launching a 4G-LTE network that will enhance communications capabilities for first responders and others in the public safety community.

LightSquared is well known to the public safety community as an experienced service provider to federal, state and local fire, police, rescue and disaster-relief departments, specializing in on-call mobile satellite communications services, personnel and equipment. LightSquared provided satellite phones to FEMA after Hurricane Katrina, keeping vital lines of communications open when other telecom services were down. Last year, LightSquared created its Emergency Rapid Response Communications Team program (ERRT), which rapidly deploys to emergency and disaster locations in the U.S. and Canada.

I understand that concerns have been raised that LightSquared's 4G network could interfere with GPS signals used by public safety agencies. However, I'm encouraged that the FCC is addressing these issues, in cooperation with LightSquared, and representatives from the public safety community, among other stakeholders.

Given the critical need for first responders to have access to reliable, high-bandwidth communications technology, I hope you will continue the FCC's efforts to resolve these issues so that LightSquared can move forward with its plans to upgrade the nation's wireless broadband capability and allow public safety providers to employ this important technology.

Sincerely,



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