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March 22, 2012

The Honorable Julius Genachowski, Chairman
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, SW
Washington, D.C. 20554

RE: IB Docket No. 11-109, Reply Comments: Public Notice

Dear Chairman Genachowski:

As you know, our nation is facing a severe shortage. It is a shortage of affordable mobile broadband services. As smart phones and tablet computers become more popular with students and businesses, consumers will quickly feel the effects of a looming spectrum crunch.

It is because of my concern for this inevitable spectrum crunch that I want to register my opinion regarding an American company, LightSquared, which is poised to help us meet our broadband needs.

LightSquared is poised and ready to build out a 4G-LTE network to expand access to wireless broadband, increase competition in the marketplace and give consumers new choices and lower prices. With LightSquared, telecommunications partners that lack their own wireless network or suffer from limited geographic coverage or spectrum can market and sell their own products using the LightSquared network.

I understand the concerns surrounding interference between LightSquared's network and Global Positioning Systems. However, this country needs LightSquared to quickly build out a nationwide ground-based network and bring more mobile broadband spectrum online for consumers and businesses.

Surely the FCC can find a way forward for the company to exist alongside GPS. To squander the opportunity for this new network is unacceptable.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Scott Dieckhaus".

Representative Scott Dieckhaus
Missouri's 109th District

cc: Senator Roy Blunt
Senator Claire McCaskill
Assistant Secretary Lawrence Strickling, NTIA