

Congress of the United States

Washington, DC 20515

June 5, 2012

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

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LightSquared
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Re: FCC File No. SAT-MOD-20101118-00239; IB Docket No. 11-109

Dear Mr. Chairman:

We understand the Federal Communications Commission's (FCC) proposed decision to withdraw LightSquared's conditional license for creating a terrestrial broadband network given the possible implications to GPS services widely relied upon by civil and military applications. We continue to believe, however, that the FCC must work to advance current and future investments in our nation's technology infrastructure. The agency has a responsibility to pursue spectrum allocation policies and solutions which address the nation's urgent need for wireless broadband expansion.

As members of the House Appropriations Committee, we ask that the FCC conduct a thorough and thoughtful review of all available spectrum controlled by the Department of Defense (DoD) that could be repurposed or reallocated to meet increased demand. We believe identifying and freeing up available DoD spectrum promotes the efficient use of a valuable resource and reaffirms the FCC's commitment to move the U.S. closer to providing wireless broadband for all Americans.

We also request that the FCC move swiftly to identify other options, including the use of alternate spectrum, for LightSquared's proposed nationwide 4G LTE wireless broadband network. In the absence of a viable technical solution that would allow LightSquared to use its own licensed spectrum, we believe a spectrum swap is the most resourceful and efficient way to quickly expand broadband access nationwide.

Sincerely,

Jim Moran *Steven T. Rothman* *Andre Boudou*
Rodney Alexander *Mark H. J.*

CC: The Honorable Leon Panetta, Secretary, US Department of Defense

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