



December 21, 2011

Marlene H. Dortch  
Secretary  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 12<sup>th</sup> Street, S.W.  
Washington, DC 20554

Re: United States Cellular Corporation  
Docket No. WT 11-18  
Docket No. RM 11592

Dear Ms. Dortch:

In accordance with Section 1.1206 of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. § 1.1206, we hereby provide you with notice of an oral ex parte presentation in connection with the above-captioned proceedings. On December 20, 2011, the undersigned met with Wireless Bureau Chief Rick Kaplan, WTB Senior Deputy Bureau Chief James Schlichting, and Legal Advisor Melissa Tye.

During the discussion, U.S. Cellular advocated for the adoption of a condition in the pending AT&T - Qualcomm transaction, that would require future lower 700 MHz devices to be configured to operate on Band 12. Doing so will benefit consumers by fostering strong device and roaming ecosystems. Recent studies submitted for the record in this docket confirm that a separate Band 17 standard is unnecessary and is hindering the deployment of 700 MHz.<sup>1</sup>

The Company also indicated that to the extent the Commission declines to take timely action to adopt such a condition in conjunction with this transaction, it is imperative that the Commission move forward immediately with an expedited rulemaking proceeding and adopt final rules in the first half of 2012.

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<sup>1</sup> Vulcan Wireless ex parte Notice, filed November 30, 2011 in RM-11592 and WT Docket 11-18.

Sincerely,

/S/

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