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Re: Wireless E911 Location Accuracy Requirements, PS Docket No. 07-114 et al.

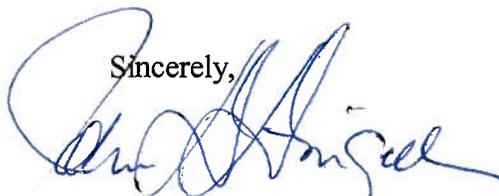
Dear Mr. Chairman:

I write in regard to the Commission's consideration of a Report and Order in the above-referenced docket at the open meeting scheduled to occur on September 11, 2007. I am pleased that the Commission has placed such an emphasis on crucial public safety matters such as E911 location accuracy, and I am pleased that the Commission is considering adopting aggressive implementation benchmarks to address this issue. I note that, in the past, the Commission has successfully implemented aggressive timelines to ensure that consumers have access to the latest public safety technologies. In particular, in 2005 the Commission set very aggressive benchmarks to ensure that VoIP companies provided accurate E911 location information.

As such, it is my hope that the Commission will adopt a plan for greater wireless E911 location accuracy that ensures that the latest technologies are provided to consumers and first responders as soon as possible. While I support an aggressive timeline, I would only caution that, if the timeline is not reasonable in light of the state of available technology, our mutual interest in advancing public safety might suffer and consumer ability to use the best technologies could be hindered.

I ask that this letter be made part of the public record of this proceeding.

Sincerely,



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