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F.A.A.
Ms Magalie Roman Salas:
Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
455-12th Street, SW
Washington, DC 20554

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Re: Ultra - Wideband
E.T. Docket 98-153

Dear Ms. Salas:

I am responding to the FCC's Notice of Proposed Rule Making on ultra wideband radio technology. I have been in law enforcement for the past twenty-three years, and I am convinced that this technology will significantly improve the undeniably hazardous conditions that accompany police work.

San Mateo County is situated in northern California, just south of San Francisco and its population is 715,000. The kinds of police activities that we deal with here are typical of any large mixed urban/rural county. Not only would this technology help ensure the safety of our citizens, but it would also improve officer safety.

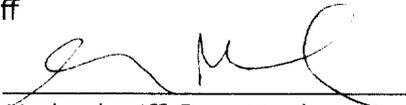
If ultra wideband research is allowed to progress, the benefit to law enforcement and public safety will be tremendous. Whether it is used in search and rescue or disaster rescue such as earthquakes, there is little doubt that more lives would be saved.

I urge the Commission to rule favorably to permit ultra-wideband development to proceed. We in law enforcement realize that this new technology will go a long way in increasing our capacity to protect the public's safety in this new century. Please do what you must do to allow it to advance.

Very Truly Yours,

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