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Michael K. Powell, Chairman
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, S.W.
Washington, DC 20554

REGARDING: ITFS Licenses

Dear Chairman Powell:

Congratulations on your appointment as Chairman of the FCC. It is certainly well deserved with your distinguished record of public service.

I am writing you to express my concern for the apparent 3-G raid attempt on the ITFS spectrum. We feel very strongly that ITFS is the only way that many of the educational programs and services can be delivered to our service area. We represent a portion of northeastern North Carolina that is largely minority, undereducated, and low-wealth. The ability to improve the lives of these citizens through education is their only hope for a better future.

We plan to use our ITFS in the following ways: Web Content for Internet based courses, Electronic mail/messaging, file transfer, video instruction & conferencing, inter campus connectivity, and Inter campus voice over IP. I am sure that other community colleges will use their allocated frequencies to do the same.

I urge you to oppose the 3-G raid of ITFS.
Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Hartwell H. Fuller

Dr. Hartwell H. Fuller
President

cc: Peter A. Tenhula, Senior Legal Advisor
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