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Ms. Magalie Roman Salas  
Secretary  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 12<sup>th</sup> Street, S.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20554

Re: *Ex Parte* Presentation, ET Docket 98-153

Dear Ms. Salas:

On 9 November 2001, the undersigned and Mr. Robert Mulloy, MSSSI Vice President, met with Mr. Julius Knapp, Ms. Karen Rackley, Dr. Michael Marcus, Mr. Ron Chase and Mr. John Reed from the FCC's Office of Engineering and Technology (OET) to discuss regulatory issues relating to ultra wideband (UWB) technology. We discussed the FCC's most recent thoughts on potential modifications to Part 15 to permit UWB commercialization and our request for consideration of a Further Notice of Proposed Rule Making (FNPRM).

Based upon these discussions, MSSSI now believes that an FNPRM is unnecessary. We are satisfied that the FCC has carefully taken into account the concerns of both UWB proponents and other industries in its proposed rule making, and commends the FCC on its approach. While the proposed rules represent a compromise solution for UWB; they take a prudent, first step toward the realization of a commercially viable UWB industry. We applaud the efforts undertaken by OET and look forward to a Report and Order within the next few months.

Sincerely,

Robert J. Fontana, Ph.D.  
President

cc: Chairman Michael Powell  
Commissioner Kathleen Q. Abernathy  
Commissioner Michael J. Copps  
Commissioner Kevin J. Martin  
Bruce Franca, Acting Chief, OET  
Julius Knapp, Deputy Chief, OET  
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