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The Honorable Michael K. Powell
Chairman
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445 12th Street, S.W.
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Washington D.C. 20554

Re: Spectrum Policy Task Force Seeks Public Comment on Issues Related to Commission's Spectrum Policies; DA 02-1311, ET Docket No. 02-135

The Land Mobile Communications Council (LMCC) is a non-profit association of organizations representing virtually all users of land mobile radio systems, providers of land mobile services, and manufacturers of land mobile radio equipment. LMCC acts with the consensus, and on behalf of the vast majority of public safety, business, industrial, private, commercial and land transportation radio users on several frequency bands regulated by the FCC. LMCC writes today in support of the request for a 60 day extension of time in the comment period for the above-referenced item that was filed by the United Telecom Council (UTC) on June 10, 2002.

The issues raised in the Public Notice are wide ranging and directly address the private land mobile radio spectrum in which LMCC's member constituents are licensed. Therefore, LMCC has a keen interest in responding to the Notice. However, as UTC as pointed out, the amount of time provided for comment is insufficient given the scope of the questions being asked. This would be the case even if the instant inquiry was the only issue currently being addressed by LMCC's members.

But LMCC's members are also currently participating in the two other proceedings noted by UTC[1] that also have comments or reply comments due on July 8, 2002, the same date as comments in the spectrum policies inquiry. Taken

[1] *See* Improving Public Safety Communications in the 800 MHz Band and Consolidating the 900 MHz Industrial/Land Transportation and Business Pool Channels, *Notice of Proposed Rulemaking*, WT Docket

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together these items will likely have a profound impact on private land mobile spectrum and as such, LMCC's members must be fully engaged in all of them. Each item cannot be given the attention it deserves if the current comment due date remains in place for all of them.

In view of the above, LMCC respectfully requests that the Commission grant UTC's request for a 60 extension of the comment period in the spectrum policies inquiry.

Sincerely,

Larry A. Miller

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President

cc: Commissioner Kathleen Q. Abernathy
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No. 02-55 (rel. Mar. 15, 2002), and, The 4.9 GHz Band Transferred from Federal Government Use, *Second Report and Order and Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking*, WT Docket No. 00-32 (rel. February 27, 2002).