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## EX PARTE

Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 12th Street, SW  
Washington, DC 20554

Re: ***Ex Parte***  
*In the Matter of Revision of Part 15 of the Commission's Rules Regarding Ultra-Wideband Transmission Systems, ET Docket No. 98-153*

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Dear Ms. Dortch:

On June 17, 2002, the Satellite Industry Association ("SIA") filed a petition for reconsideration addressing the Commission's First Report and Order in the above-referenced proceeding. SIA supplemented its petition with a technical study on January 10, 2003. SIA's petition and supplement demonstrate that the emissions limits the Commission has adopted for ultra-wideband devices are inadequate, and will expose satellite users to harmful interference in the downlink portion of the C-band (*i.e.*, 3.7-4.2 GHz). The World Teleport Association, therefore, supports the SIA petition.

The World Teleport Association and its members have a direct interest in this matter. As strategic telecommunications hubs, teleports utilize C-band frequencies for both transmission and reception of television programming (broadcast and cable TV), Internet data, corporate network data, and paging signals. As part of the critical infrastructure for the distribution and redistribution of electronic content throughout the country and around the world, US teleports and their customers must have access to technically stable and reliable satellite channels to do their work.

The World Teleport Association urges the Commission, on reconsideration, to revise its emissions limits for UWB devices in the 3.7-4.2 GHz band to ensure that they will not interfere with satellite services.

Sincerely,

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Chairman

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