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RE: In the Matter of Improving Public Safety Communications In the 800 MHz Band, WR Docket No. 02-55 (Lx Parte)

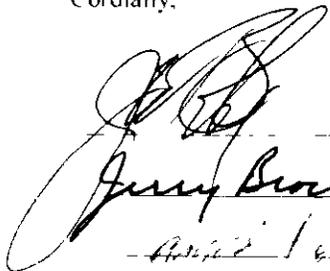
Dear Madam Secretary:

The Knox County Commissioners believe the FCC should not take any action that could compromise Cinergy Corporation's communications system. Cinergy plays an extremely critical role in the overall quality of life in Knox County, Indiana, and the protection of life, health, and property during times of local or regional crisis. Often, the safety and effectiveness of our personnel is directly related to, and dependent upon, our ability to coordinate activities with Cinergy.

For example, all of the Knox County Emergency Personnel often work closely with Cinergy during an emergency in order to repair downed lines and restore services to the citizens of Knox County. By coordinating our activities the services are restored in a more timely manner. As a result of Cinergy's efforts, we are able to further our Public Safety objectives.

In addition, Cinergy and other utilities provide a core resource, electricity that permits modern society to function. Absent electric power, other industrial and business operations simply could not be performed. Cinergy is also responsible for providing electric power to hospitals, police and fire stations, and other critical facilities throughout its service territory. Accordingly, the FCC should not take any action that could endanger Cinergy's ability to perform its duties.

Cordially,

  
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