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The Honorable Michael K. Powell, Chairman  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 12<sup>th</sup> Street, SW  
Washington, D.C. 20054

Re: WT Docket 02-55, improving Public Safety Communications in the 800 MHz Band

Dear Chairman Powell:

This letter is intended to express my support for the "Consensus Plan" to resolve the 800 MHz interference problem currently faced by the public safety community in this country. I recognize the serious issue of Officer safety as it concerns public safety communication interference problems experienced in the 800 MHz band. The current practice of interleaving public safety, private and commercial users in the 800 MHz band has led to potentially deadly interference problems in the public safety portions of the band.

I believe the "Consensus Plan" currently under consideration by the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) offers an effective solution to the problem, provided that local public safety agencies, such as this Office, are not stuck with the costs associated with re-banding. The "Consensus Plan" is a proactive approach to solving interference problems in the 800 MHz band and could eliminate the need for the current reactive FCC approach to solving the problem on a site-by-site basis after the interference has occurred.

I respectfully request that the FCC act promptly to eliminate the interference occurring to public safety providers in the 800 MHz band.

Sincerely,

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