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**Federal Communications Commission
Office of the Secretary**

Commissioner Michael J. Copps
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, SW
Washington, DC 20554

Dear Commissioner Copps,

The need for first responders to be able to communicate in times of crisis has never been greater.

As an American who works every day to protect our communities, I urge you to support the Consensus Plan before the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) to prevent CMRS interference to public safety communications systems.

The FCC has made a commitment to all first responders to address this critical issue, and as time passes, our risk from this problem continues to grow.

The Consensus Plan is the only proposal before the FCC that addresses this problem head-on, and is the only proposal that has the support of America's leading public safety organizations, including:

- Association of Public Safety Communications Officials
- The International Association of Fire Chiefs
- The International Association of Chiefs of Police
- Major City and County Sheriff's Associations

Together with the private sector members of the Consensus Plan, more than 90 percent of affected licensees in the 800MHz band have agreed that this is the best way to resolve this problem for public safety - TODAY. And the Plan requires no public money.

We cannot afford to wait any longer. I hope I can count on your support.

Sincerely,

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