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Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 Twelfth Street, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20554

Re: WT Docket No. 02-55
Ex Parte Presentation

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On Wednesday, April 21, 2004, William E. Kennard, member of the Board of Directors, Nextel Communications, Inc. ("Nextel"), spoke by telephone with Chairman Michael Powell regarding the Commission's above-captioned rulemaking on public safety communications in the 800 MHz band. Mr. Kennard and Chairman Powell discussed issues raised by Nextel in its submissions in this proceeding, including the urgent need to adopt the Consensus Plan as a means of resolving CMRS – public safety interference and providing additional spectrum for public safety communications. Mr. Kennard also outlined the reasons why 2.1 GHz spectrum is not an acceptable substitute for the 1.9 GHz band as replacement spectrum for Nextel.

Pursuant to section 1.1206(b)(2) of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. § 1.1206(b)(2), this letter is being filed electronically for inclusion in the public record of the above-referenced proceeding.

Sincerely,

/s/ Regina M. Keeney
Regina M. Keeney

cc: Michael Powell