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Re: Notification of Initiation of Operations in the 821-824 MHz/866-869 MHz Portion of the 800 MHz Band

Dear Mr. Frankhouser:

For your reference, as the Chairperson and Regional Planning Coordinator for the Houston Region, attached is a copy of a letter which has been individually addressed and sent to every NPSPAC licensee in your region.

Please contact me with any questions.

Sincerely,

/s/

James B. Goldstein
Director – Spectrum Reconfiguration

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Dear Sir or Madam:

In 2004 the Federal Communications Commission ("FCC") adopted an Order reconfiguring the 800 MHz band. The FCC reassigned the National Public Safety Planning Advisory Committee ("NPSPAC") band channels at 821-824/866-869 MHz ("old NPSPAC band") to Sprint Nextel as public safety incumbents retuned to the newly created NPSPAC channels at 806-809/851-854 MHz (the "new NPSPAC band"). Over the past several months, the Wireless Telecommunications Bureau ("WTB") of the FCC has updated the FCC's licensing database and reissued certain of Sprint Nextel's 800 MHz licenses to authorize Sprint Nextel's iDEN operations in the vacated portions of the old NPSPAC band in your NPSPAC Region.[1]

In accordance with the FCC's actions, and in compliance with the FCC's 800 MHz Reconfiguration decisions, Sprint Nextel is hereby notifying all incumbent NPSPAC public safety licensees within your NPSPAC region, as well as all incumbent NPSPAC licensees within 70 miles of the border of the NPSPAC region, that it may commence operating on vacant or otherwise available channels at 821-824/866-869 MHz in your NPSPAC region no earlier than 60 days after the date of this notice. Sprint Nextel will add these 800 MHz channels to its iDEN network as NPSPAC incumbents relinquish them upon completion of their own retunes to channels in the new NPSPAC band.

Please be assured that the channels licensed to you, an incumbent licensee in the old NPSPAC band, will not be incorporated into Sprint Nextel's iDEN network in any proximity to your system until you have fully retuned to your new channel assignments in the new NPSPAC band. Sprint Nextel recognizes that in some NPSPAC regions these channels may not

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[1] On May 6, 2008, the Public Safety and Homeland Security Bureau ("PSHSB") publicly released a letter formally modifying Sprint Nextel's 800 MHz licenses in the Colorado NPSPAC Region thereby authorizing Sprint Nextel to begin operations on vacated or available channels in the old NPSPAC band to facilitate 800 MHz band reconfiguration. This letter also provides the steps Sprint Nextel must take prior to and during its operations in the old NPSPAC band during the 800 MHz transition. *See* Letter from David L. Furth, Associate Chief, Public Safety and Homeland Security Bureau, and Joel D. Taubenblatt, Acting Deputy Chief, Wireless Telecommunications Bureau, to Lawrence R. Krevor and James B. Goldstein, Sprint Nextel Corporation, DA 08-1074 (May 6, 2008). See http://fjallfoss.fcc.gov/edocs_public/attachmatch/DA-08-1074A1.pdf. The PSHSB's letter also specifies the process Sprint Nextel must follow in seeking 800 MHz license modifications in other NPSPAC regions, as is the case here.

be vacated or available to us until some time in the future, depending on the pace of rebanding. Nonetheless, Sprint Nextel is sending you this notice now, well in advance of any planned operations.

Sprint Nextel is mindful of its ongoing obligations to avoid causing Commercial Mobile Radio Service ("CMRS") – public safety interference at 800 MHz and to immediately correct such interference should it occur. One of the conditions set forth by the PSHSB is that Sprint Nextel will provide protection to any NPSPAC licensees that have not yet relocated out of the old NPSPAC band. ***Sprint Nextel will implement iDEN service in the old NPSPAC band in full compliance with the Commission's co-channel separation requirements and will carefully evaluate all relevant local factors to ensure that interference does not occur.***

If at any time, however, you believe that your NPSPAC radio system is experiencing CMRS – public safety interference within your area of operations, you should report it using the CTIA-maintained interference notification website at http://www.publicsafety800mhzinterference.com. This website immediately notifies Sprint Nextel and other cellular carriers operating in your area so that interference investigation and mitigation procedures are initiated. Sprint Nextel will continue to strictly adhere to the Commission's mandated interference response timelines and requirements specified in Section 90.674 of the Commission's rules.

Sprint Nextel is also notifying the Regional Planning Coordinator for your NPSPAC Region that it may soon begin operating on available channels in the old NPSPAC band. The Regional Planning Coordinator is available to you as an additional resource in the event you believe you are experiencing interference from a commercial carrier.

We look forward to our continued work with you while completing 800 MHz band reconfiguration. Should you have any questions in this matter, please contact me at 800MHz@Sprint.com, or contact the Sprint Nextel Program Manager responsible for your retune.

Sincerely,

/s/

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