

## STATEMENT OF CHAIRMAN KEVIN J. MARTIN

Re: In the Matter of Investigation of the Spectrum Requirements for Advanced Medical Technologies; Amendment of Parts 2 and 95 of the Commission's Rules to Establish the Medical Device Radio Communications Service at 401-402 and 405-406 MHz; DexCom, Inc. Request for Waiver of the Frequency Monitoring Requirements of the Medical Implant Communications Service Rules; Biotronik, Inc. Request for Waiver of the Frequency Monitoring Requirements for the Medical Implant Communications Service Rules (ET Docket Nos. 06-135, 05-213, 03-92, and RM 11271), FCC 06-103

The use of wireless technologies in implantable and body-worn medical devices is improving and extending patients' lives. Today's item supports continued development and deployment of these devices by proposing the allocation of additional spectrum and greater flexibility for medical radio devices. As demand for more advanced medical devices increases, we should also be prepared to facilitate next-generation solutions and to work with the Food and Drug Administration and other agencies that play a role in their evolution. Our requests for information on new medical radio technologies and inter-agency collaboration will help us better anticipate future developments in this field of medicine and thereby provide the best healthcare possible for patients today and tomorrow.