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The Honorable Anna G. Eshoo
U.S. House of Representatives
205 Cannon House Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Congresswoman Eshoo:

Thank you for your letter regarding the Commission's proceeding to establish rules for licensing services for the Advanced Wireless Services (AWS) spectrum in the 2155-2180 MHz (AWS-3) band. Like you, I recognize the significance of this spectrum and believe that the Commission must resolve this important rulemaking in a timely and transparent fashion. I also recognize that mobile broadband is central to our mission. No sector of the communications industry holds greater potential to enhance America's economic competitiveness, spur job creation, and improve the quality of our lives.

As you know, the Commission is charged to develop, by February 17, 2010, a national strategy to ensure access to high-speed broadband to all Americans. The Commission will consider how best to make broadband available – including wireless broadband services – as part of this national broadband strategy.

I want to assure you that establishing service rules for the AWS-3 spectrum remains an important Commission priority. Such rules should aim to put AWS-3 to use as expeditiously as feasible, while ensuring that those rules are consistent with our legislative mandate to develop a comprehensive broadband policy for our nation.

I appreciate your bringing your interest in this matter to my attention. Please let me know if I can be of any further assistance.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Julius Genachowski", written over a horizontal line.

Julius Genachowski