



FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

September 19, 2011

JULIUS GENACHOWSKI  
CHAIRMAN

The Honorable Roger Wicker  
United States Senate  
555 Dirksen Senate Office Building  
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Senator Wicker:

Thank you for your letter urging the Commission to begin a proceeding to ensure that all consumers have access to mobile devices that use the 700 MHz Band. We are in complete agreement on the need for all consumers to have access to cutting-edge and innovative devices that take advantage of the benefits of next-generation technology, no matter which service provider they choose.

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I appreciate this opportunity to hear your thoughts on this critically important matter. I look forward to continuing our work to ensure that all Americans benefit from the power of mobile broadband and new and innovative technologies.

Sincerely,

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Julius Genachowski



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The Honorable Mark Begich  
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144 Russell Senate Office Building  
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The Honorable John D. Rockefeller IV  
Chairman  
Committee on Commerce, Science and Transportation  
United States Senate  
254 Russell Senate Office Building  
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Chairman Rockefeller:

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