

FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

September 19, 2013

The Honorable John McCain United States Senate 241 Russell Senate Office Building Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Senator McCain:

Thank you for your letter regarding the proposed acquisition of Sprint Nextel Corporation by SoftBank Corporation. I appreciate your interest in this matter and am pleased to provide the enclosed letter on this issue from the Chief of the FCC's International Bureau.

If you have any additional questions or need any further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me.

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Dear Senator McCain:

Thank you for your letter regarding the acquisition of Sprint Nextel Corporation (Sprint) by SoftBank Corporation (SoftBank), a Japanese company. In your letter, you sought assurances that care, fairness, and propriety would be observed in whatever action the Commission might take in this matter, consistent with existing rules, regulations, and ethical guidelines, and that such action would be in the best interest of our country's national and economic security.

After thorough review, the Commission released an Order on July 5, 2013, finding that the proposed acquisition of Sprint by SoftBank would serve the public interest. The Order is available at http://transition.fcc.gov/Daily_Releases/Daily_Business/2013/db0705/FCC-13-92A1.pdf.

Please be assured that the Commission, as part of its public interest review, carefully considered all relevant legal and policy issues associated with SoftBank's acquisition of Sprint, consistent with existing rules, regulations, and guidelines and with the country's national and economic security in mind.

Thank you for your interest in this important matter.

Sincerely,

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Chief, International Bureau