

**STATEMENT OF
COMMISSIONER MICHAEL J. COPPS**

Re: Revision of Parts 2 and 15 of the Commission's Rules to Permit Unlicensed National Information Infrastructure (U-NII) Devices in the 5 GHz Band, Memorandum Opinion and Order, ET Docket No. 03-122

I am very pleased that we announce a revised measurement procedure today for certifying U-NII devices in the 5GHz band. I look forward to seeing a new wave of devices that make use of this unlicensed band to bring valuable services to American businesses and consumers.

I am particularly pleased about the cooperative effort between government and industry that has given rise to the rules we adopt today. I am very thankful to our excellent Office of Engineering and Technology (OET), the ITAC-R Government/Industry Project Team, and the National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA) for their hard work. The Commission reaches its best results in highly complex areas like this one when it can draw on the widest body of technical expertise, and I hope that this proceeding can be a model for future spectrum rulemakings.