

**STATEMENT OF
COMMISSIONER ROBERT M. McDOWELL
APPROVING IN PART AND CONCURRING IN PART**

Re: Union Telephone Company, Cellco Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless Applications for 700 MHz Band Licenses, Auction No. 73, File Nos. 0003371176, et al.

I am voting to support this order, which resolves two pending Auction 73 applications. I am pleased that we have refrained from introducing a wholly new competitive analysis, which would have been procedurally deficient given the lack of notice or opportunity for public comment.

Nonetheless, I am concurring with respect to the condition imposed upon Verizon Wireless, which states that Section 27.16 of the Commission's rules applies to the company as the winning bidder of the 700 MHz C Block spectrum. While I do not oppose outright this condition given its narrowness, I continue to question the substance and meaning of this rule in the first place.