

**STATEMENT OF
COMMISSIONER ROBERT M. McDOWELL**

Re: Implementation of Section 6002(b) of the Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1993, Annual Report and Analysis of Competitive Market Conditions With Respect to Mobile Wireless including Commercial Mobile Services, WT Docket No. 09-66

I am voting to approve today's inquiry, which seeks additional information regarding the competitive market conditions within the wireless industry. I am pleased that the Commission is aiming to expand and enhance our analytical tools by asking for comment on an array of issues. Our task is really two-fold. We will consider a comprehensive list of factors that affect competitive conditions in the provision of wireless services and then ensure that we apply the best analytic framework to the most robust data available. Doing so will position the Commission to think through and determine prudent courses of action in a wide variety of areas.

At the same time, I am less sanguine about the prospects for gathering meaningful new information. While I understand that the reality of limited resources in a troubled economy may affect participation in this docket, I hope that interested stakeholders will not simply resubmit the pleadings filed in response to the Wireless Bureau's *Fourteenth Report Public Notice*, which was issued in May. This is especially so given that we will incorporate those earlier filings into this new docket.