



November 2, 2022

Ms. Marlene H. Dortch
Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
45 L St NE
Washington, D.C. 20554

MCSA Letter of Support—Reference: DA-22-882, ULS 0010176495

Dear Ms. Dortch:

As you know, the Major County Sheriffs of America (MCSA) proudly represents the nation's largest Sheriff's Offices in the country as well as the nearly 130 million Americans they serve. Our association has been a supporter of the First Responder Network Authority (FirstNet) from its legislative inception to its current position as a robust, nationwide public safety communications network.

We are aware that FirstNet recently filed an application with the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) to renew its license for the Band 14 spectrum set aside by Congress for public safety broadband. Renewal of FirstNet's Band 14 license is essential for the continued public safety operations of our members. We have worked closely with the Authority and with this Commission to ensure FirstNet can meet our shared goal of a fully operable, fully nationwide public safety broadband network in 2023. This simply will not be attainable without renewal of the Band 14 license.

We appreciate this Commission's ongoing efforts to preserve the Band 14 spectrum for public safety use, and its continued support of public safety professionals in the United States. We urge the Commission to renew FirstNet's license so our members can continue to serve their communities with the best tools available to them. We thank you for your consideration.

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Sincerely,

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