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LMCC SUBMITS ITS VIEWS ON FCC RULE CHANGES

On Friday, May 14, 2010, and in response to the FCC’s long-standing proceeding in WP Docket No. 07-100, the Land Mobile Communications Council (LMCC) provided the FCC with its recommendations regarding a number of proposed rule changes, and its views in response to specific Commission inquiries. Among the more critical items, the LMCC maintained its opposition to any rule changes that would authorize the secondary use of Wireless Medical Telemetry Service operations on spectrum assigned on a primary basis to non-medical use in the 1427-1432 MHz band.

Noting that the FCC’s trunking rules are perhaps the highest priority for LMCC members, the comments noted the importance of revising the contour calculation standard for mobiles, both in mobile-only systems and those associated with base station facilities. The LMCC supported rules which clarify that contour calculations for base stations only, not for associated mobiles, need to be considered. The LMCC also confirmed its common view regarding the concept of a two-way contour analysis, such that “affected licensees” are those whose service contours are overlapped by a proposed centralized trunked station’s interference contour and those who interference contours are overlapped by a proposed centralized trunked station’s service contour. It is anticipated that LMCC members may be filing individual comments specific to their constituents’ requirements.

These and other comments may be found by visiting the LMCC web site at www.LMCC.org.

The LMCC is a nonprofit association of organizations representing land mobile radio carriers and manufacturers equipment; LMCC membership represents diverse telecommunications sectors such as public safety, industrial/land transportation, private radio, specialized mobile radio and critical infrastructure.