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1 P R O C E E D I N G S

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(9:04 a.m.)

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MR. BARKER: Let's get started. Welcome

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everyone. I'm glad that we could have such a great

5 turnout here today.

6 Just introducing myself, my name is Byron
7 Barker, I'm the chair of the Wireless Spectrum
8 Research and Development Senior Steering Group, out
9 of the Networking Information Technology R&D Program.

10 I actually -- that's another hat that I
11 wear with the wizard group, what we term as the
12 wizard group. My day job is working in NTIA. I'm in
13 charge of the strategic planning division there,
14 working under Mr. Carl Nitia.

15 So we're excited to have this program and
16 to get into this topic of understanding the spectrum
17 environment. We have, like I said, we have a full
18 day ahead of us today. As it says, it's a workshop.
19 We're here to work. So I know we're all excited
20 about that, or you wouldn't be here.

21 I just wanted to make sure that we're all
22 kind of, looking forward to what we have here today.

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2 For the lineup today, let's start off by
3 warming you up. Kind of like in baseball terms, get
4 you loosened up and get you ready at bat and it's
5 opening day today, starting of major league baseball.
6 So we'll do this by starting off with the keynote
7 speakers, PM session there that will be moderated by
8 Dr. Rangam Subramanian. So we're excited about that.

9 We will kind of hear about what their
10 thinking is in regards to some of the current

11 economic policy thinking that's going on. To kind of
12 help set the stage of what we see as the importance
13 of understanding the spectrum environment and what
14 monitoring may mean to that.

15 Following that, we'll have the next panel
16 that will talk about some of the current projects,
17 activities that are going on out there, particularly
18 in industry and in the federal government that's
19 involving monitoring. So we'll kind of get some
20 insight of what currently is going on today.

21 Then we'll also follow-up with some actual
22 demos that will be happening along some of the rooms.

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1 I think it's 515, 565 --

2 PARTICIPANT: And 595.

3 MR. BARKER: 595, so the idea is to frame
4 our thinking of what would be meaningful and
5 achievable goals for spectrum monitoring. And what
6 we might want to identify and prioritize is
7 actionable recommendations, especially those for
8 research and standards that need to be pursued. So
9 we'll kind of get going with that, get our thoughts
10 ready for the breakout sessions that will follow.

11 We'll have a lunch break, obviously. As
12 part of that lunch break, we'll move around, around
13 the demos -- the demonstrations, the exhibits that we
14 have in the three rooms. So you can kind of get a
15 chance to get a better feel and more one-on-one with
16 some of the great things happening out there relating

17 to spectrum measurement environment.

18 We will then assemble back, but what I
19 would like for you to do is to, on your badge I think
20 we have designated -- if we don't --

21 PARTICIPANT: We have lists outside and
22 lists on the door.

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1 MR. BARKER: Okay. And that reminds me,
2 for folks that have come in, we do have a sign-up out
3 in the front. If you can, please initial that you've
4 come in. I know some of you have just come directly
5 in, probably didn't see with the crowd out there,
6 that we have a table with the sign-in list. So if
7 you can, if you haven't done so, please initial off
8 that you're here.

9 And while I'm at that, for logistics sake,
10 if you need the restrooms, you just go directly out
11 the door where the elevator corridor is and right to
12 the right there are signs right there, it's posted,
13 that tells you where the restrooms are in that area
14 there.

15 So we'll assemble back at our respective
16 session locations and I'll talk -- I'll give you room
17 numbers later on as we move along. That'll be it.
18 We've divided these into true focus areas informing
19 policy, decision making and spectrum and management;
20 making interference resolution and enforcement more
21 effective; and usage, being able to make the data
22 usable, interchangeable and available, especially for

1 coordination. So we broke into three breakout
2 sessions.

3 So I would like to start off by refreshing
4 how we got here today. As most of you know, back in
5 June 2010, the President released a memorandum on
6 unleashing the wireless property revolution. One of
7 the key objectives that was identified in that, was
8 to direct the federal agencies to work together, with
9 the non-federal community, including academia,
10 industry and the public safety sectors to create and
11 implement a plan that facilitates research,
12 development, experimentation, and testing by
13 researchers to explore innovative spectrum sharing
14 technologies.

15 This essentially became what is called
16 wireless research and development senior steering
17 group, or what we call as the wizard group. Today we
18 have held a series of workshops, or up to now, this
19 one being the fifth, that address the challenges
20 defined in the Presidential Memorandum.

21 During the wizards' first workshop at
22 Boulder, back in July 2011, we looked at the current

1 portfolio of R&D projects that we had on the federal
2 side, and at the same time, we were using the
3 workshop to gain insight to what's going out in the
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4 private sector side and looked at what was underway
5 and planned so we could see where there could be
6 possible gaps of what's not being researched and
7 developed at the time.

8 The participants indicated two reoccurring
9 themes on recommendations. One, the national level
10 testing environment is critical for validating
11 spectrum-sharing technology under realistic
12 conditions and the need for a spectrum inventory.
13 One, it allows us to better understand the spectrum
14 environment.

15 At the second workshop, held in Berkeley,
16 back in January of 2012, key concepts and criteria
17 were discussed and established for a national level
18 testing demonstration environment. One, it could
19 provide a comprehensive spectrum sharing test and
20 evaluation capability. During the discussion it was
21 noted again, the need for empirical information
22 occurring in common spectrum use. If not, it would

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1 present a barrier for us to move forward with some
2 type of testing capability that we envisioned.

3 The third workshop, held in Boulder in
4 July of 2012 identified realistic projects whose
5 implementation would significantly support the plan
6 to meet the Presidential memo's goals. In that
7 discussion, we discussed what would be mechanisms for
8 spectrum sharing. Again, in that discussion, it was
9 noted how important having spectrum use information

10 would be.

11 One, it could be shared among some or all
12 users to help mitigate potentially incompatible
13 spectrum use.

14 The fourth workshop, held at MIT, last
15 year -- last April, almost a year ago, resulted in
16 the recommendations for economic and policy research
17 that would be needed to promote an efficient and
18 shared spectrum environment. Again, a key component
19 of the economic policy research agenda included the
20 need for data, models and empirical methods to there
21 identify spectrum needs, usage, and interference
22 implications.

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1 So one can see, the need to better
2 understand the spectrum environment has been a common
3 thread throughout our past workshop discussions.
4 This workshop will focus on new opportunities for
5 understanding the spectrum environment through
6 improvements in monitoring the data analysis. How
7 spectrum monitoring might improve spectrum
8 utilization.

9 I think we can conclude that pretty much
10 what has been done in the past on spectrum
11 measurements or monitoring, has been generally short
12 term, ad hoc efforts that provide only brief
13 snapshots of information on particular bands on an
14 incumbent's usage.

15 We need to find ways that we can make it

16 more meaningful, effective, and sustainable. More
17 importantly, what can make it more affordable.

18 So I guess that's the key here is, what
19 can we do to help us better understand the spectrum
20 environment.

21 So I see the third base coach waving me
22 on. I'm supposed to leave the base here. But before

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1 I do, I want to give a special thanks on a great job
2 on our planning committee. Particularly our chair
3 for the planning committee, Mr. Dennis Roberson, did
4 a fabulous job in keeping us on point, keeping the --
5 getting this orchestrated, getting that organized in
6 the format that we have today, including the
7 committee itself, that included Mike Cotton, Rangan
8 Subramanian, Min Sohn, Bill Horn, and Dale Hatfield,
9 and our infamous Joe Eeps. Is Joe here today?

10 MR. EEPS: I guess I've been through this
11 (off microphone.)

12 (Laughter.)

13 PARTICIPANT: Hiding in the back.

14 MR. BARKER: I'm totally surprised Joe is
15 here today.

16 (Laughter.)

17 MR. BARKER: Good to see you, Joe.

18 I especially want to thank Wendy and Mark
19 for a great job you guys do, supporting us. We
20 wouldn't be here today if it wasn't for NCO and your
21 support particularly, Wendy, so appreciate it. Thank

22 you.

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1 I also wanted to say a special thanks to
2 NSF. Particularly, Larry Goldberg, in making the
3 funding available through their grant program and
4 supporting the logistics. Our folks that had to
5 travel, helping them with their travel costs there.
6 So I really appreciate that. So let's get started,
7 let's play ball here.

8 I'd like to introduce Dr. Rangam
9 Subramanian. Rangam just recently arrived at NTIA
10 working in the office of spectrum management,
11 particularly with me in the strategic planning
12 division. He's my chief spectrum technology policy
13 strategist to support us on our long-term planning
14 efforts there.

15 Prior to NTIA, Rangam was at Idaho
16 national laboratory, spearheading the establishment
17 of INL's national wireless user facility, to include
18 leading their program to research and develop a
19 nationally recognized spectrum agile radio
20 capability.

21 He's been a serving member, from day one,
22 on our wizard group when we first stood up, I think,

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1 back in November 2010. And while I'm at that, my

2 former co-chair is here today, Andy Clegg, Dr. Andy
3 Clegg. Glad to see you here, he left me hanging a
4 little bit there. But we're having a hard time
5 finding a replacement for you right now. But we're
6 glad to see you here today.

7 So I guess, with that said, with no
8 further ado, I'd like to introduce Rangam to
9 introduce our keynote panel here.

10 MR. SUBRAMANIAN: Good morning everyone.
11 Thank you, Byron.

12 This is the fifth workshop that I've been
13 involved in. I've been involved in since the first
14 one. Seems the number of participants has been
15 growing on, we started with 30-35 back in Boulder, a
16 couple of years back and now we have 130 plus, here.
17 That really tells the importance of what we have been
18 doing in physics and how the collaboration, initial
19 collaboration went and mostly I believe this is the
20 biggest national think-tank, I would think, for
21 everyone from government, industry, and academia
22 participating in this and this has been growing.

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1 This is an indication of the importance of value with
2 the whole concept of spectrum sharing or spectrum
3 agile technologies.

4 We know new boards paradigm coming out, I
5 believe of things addressed security and confidence
6 in the new paradigm is what is -- still needs to be
7 built up. There are a lot of questions, a lot of

8 people still doubting across the stakeholders. I
9 don't want to pick on anybody. But we are in a
10 situation that this needs to happen, as many national
11 leaders have already acknowledged. That means new
12 technologies, proof of concepts, spectrum
13 measurements, spectrum usage, which are very
14 fundamental to new policy rule making, enforcement,
15 and coordination. Coordinating the spectrum usage.

16 Now as you human beings, you know, we are
17 typically new to this but if you really look to the
18 history of life of the human beings, we have gone
19 from being introverts to being (off mic) And I
20 think we can, and we will, and I think we should.

21 To get this context rolling, I have to
22 understand how do participants can help and support

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1 the government, industry and academia with targeted
2 specifications and recommendations.

3 Today, one of the very specific things we
4 are looking for is specific recommendations. We have
5 been talking about this for several years, several
6 decades, I should say. Can we have something very
7 actionable? You can say, hey, these are a couple of
8 things we have to do at lesson one. To have this, to
9 get that energy going here, we have a fantastic panel
10 here. I don't think we could have chosen any other
11 better team than what we have today.

12 Mr. Tom Power, I would like you to come
13 and take a seat, Dr. and Mr. Mark Gorenberg.

14 Please, give them a hand.

15 (Applause.)

16 MR. SUBRAMANIAN: I will give detailed
17 introductions as they start speaking. But I want to
18 make this very fun, enjoyable and actionable keynote
19 panel. Nothing is pre set-up. The questions I am
20 going to be asking, and you will be asking, nothing
21 is pre set-up. Before I do this, I want to take off
22 my MBA hat, you know what I mean by that. So to make

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1 it all easy. Let's have some fun, let's have some
2 real discussions and energy going on here.

3 The way this will work is, every panelist
4 is going to get about eight minutes, roughly eight
5 minutes. It's not realistic, but eight minutes will
6 be good. They will speak on their talking points and
7 then I will pick it up from there, have some set of
8 questions, then we will leave it to the audience. We
9 have enough time today to go over most of your
10 questions that you will be having. Please start
11 writing them, if you have not written them yet. But
12 as we go, you can write it down. Let's have things
13 going on today.

14 Now, first to speak will be Mr. Tom Power.
15 And I don't think he really needs -- any of the
16 panelists here really needs any introduction.

17 Tom Power is serving as the United States
18 Deputy Chief Technology Officer for
19 Telecommunications at the White House Office of

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20 Science and Technology Policy since August 2011. As
21 Deputy CTO, Tom helps develop and coordinate
22 administration policy on telecom and technology

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1 issues. Before joining the OSTP, Tom has served for
2 more than two years as the Chief of Staff of National
3 Telecommunications and Information Administration,
4 NTIA, at the Department of Commerce.

5 At NTIA, Tom provided policy and
6 managerial direction for a wide range of agency
7 activities, including spectrum, Internet policymaking
8 and Recovery Act broadband grant programs.

9 Between 2000 and 2009, Tom served as
10 General Counsel of FiberLink Communications in Blue
11 Bell, Pennsylvania. From 1994 to 2000, he served in
12 supervisory roles at the FCC and he was also the
13 Senior Legal Adviser to the FCC Chairman William
14 Kennard, advising the chairman on broadband, common
15 carrier, and mass media matters.

16 Before joining the FCC, Tom was a
17 telecommunications and litigation partner at the law
18 firm of Winston & Strawn. And many of you know Tom
19 is a lawyer, but a very technically sound lawyer.

20 Please welcome Tom.

21 (Applause.)

22 MR. POWER: That was lawyer, right? It

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1 sounded like you said something different.

2 (Laughter.)

3 MR. SUBRAMANIAN: I am sorry for the
4 mistake!

5 MR. POWER: Of course, many people equate
6 the two.

7 Thank you, Rangam and good morning
8 everybody. It's great to be here, and thanks for
9 everyone who has had a hand in putting this together
10 from NSF and Dennis and Wendy, of course, and the
11 infamous Joe Eeps. Sitting infamously in the back.

12 So a lot going on, you know, the work of
13 groups like this and workshops like this that really
14 help move the needle. And, you know, as important as
15 this work is, as it goes on over here, it's also a
16 big day over at the FCC today, where they're expected
17 to adopt an order, both in the AWS3, spectrum
18 proceeding and the five gigahertz.

19 I just want to start by just mentioning
20 one thing, which is the work of my colleagues in the
21 federal agency, the defense, the justice and the
22 other agencies, who do such an amazing job. We have

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1 really showered them with work over the last five
2 years. Two Presidential Memoranda, a monumental
3 piece of legislation, the PCAST report, all the
4 rulemakings and (off mic) of the FCC and then we, you
5 know, impose a sequester and cut their budgets.

6 (Laughter.)

7 MR. POWER: It's tough. I've been working
8 really closely, now, for about three years with them
9 and it's a really impressive group over there. So I
10 commend them, just as I commend all of you for all
11 the work you're doing. Because, you know, Rangam was
12 talking about how sharing is becoming, not just in
13 this area, but throughout the economy, a bigger -- a
14 bigger aspect of what we do and it's government
15 agencies, it's industry, it's non-profit, it's public
16 safety, it's everybody coming together on those
17 issues.

18 As I am talking about agencies, you know,
19 one thing that always comes up when you talk about
20 the agencies, is the idea of incentives or awards
21 basically giving -- giving the agencies a greater
22 incentive to share or (noise) spectrum.

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1 So just a side note on that, you are
2 probably aware that in February the Office of Science
3 and Technology Policy released a request for
4 information, seeking public comment on various ways
5 of promoting or giving agencies greater incentives.
6 We accompanied that with a report that we have
7 commissioned to sort of summarize a lot of the
8 literature out there. So we've gotten those comments
9 in, and they are going to be on the OSTP website, I
10 think tomorrow. So some folks had been asking when
11 they could take a look at them, I think they are
12 going to be up tomorrow. So just keep a look on the

13 OSTP website.

14 So of course, part of what we have been
15 asking the agencies to do, has to do with the subject
16 of today's workshop, which is how data and monitoring
17 spectrum use can help us be more efficient. I think
18 for me, one big aspect that got this momentum going,
19 I have to give credit to Mark Gorenberg, and the
20 PCAS, because of their, you know, the big vision they
21 had. Which was essentially, if we're looking to make
22 more spectrum available for innovative commercial

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1 uses, you can focus on, what I will call the
2 traditional way of doing it, which is define the band
3 or bands that the commercial sector finds most
4 appealing because of the propagation characteristics
5 of the spectrum and just lift out all of those
6 federal systems and move them up the band somewhere,
7 plop them down over here and then, you know, you've
8 cleared that out for commercial use. That's great if
9 you can pull it off, but it's very costly to uproot a
10 whole bunch of systems and it takes a lot of time and
11 that's not in anyone's interest. So the alternative
12 is to find opportunities within existing assignments,
13 starting with the federal side. Is there excess
14 capacity there that could be made use of.

15 And, you know, we hear and in evidence of
16 this, you know an agency that stopped using a system
17 but retained its assignment, agencies understandably
18 say there's not a lot of that. But that's the

19 question. We need to get to the bottom of what is
20 really available. So in last year's Presidential
21 Memorandum, the President directed NTIA to create a
22 framework for the agencies to conduct and report on a

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1 quantitative assessment of their actual usage of the
2 spectrum.

3 Byron mentioned the word "inventory,"
4 folks often are looking for the government to produce
5 an inventory. I think this effort is, in some ways,
6 what the President has asked NTIA agents to do, in
7 some ways, narrower, but deeper than what a generic
8 inventory could tell you. So -- and this is what I
9 mean by that. If you just look at the 1755 and 1780
10 spectrum, that's the subject of today's rulemaking,
11 it's 25 megahertz of spectrum, I think there are like
12 800 federal systems operating in there.

13 So if you wanted to say, you know, how
14 much spectrum is being used there, when you multiply
15 800 systems by 25 megahertz, they are using 20,000
16 megahertz of spectrum in a 25 megahertz plot.

17 Well that doesn't quite work right. I
18 didn't take physics, but I think there's something
19 wrong with that when you say it in that light. But
20 of course the fact is, there's sharing going on.
21 There's temporal sharing, there's geographic sharing
22 and so what we need though, to get to the bottom of

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1 is, what does that usage actually look like. How
2 encumbered is the band.

3 Now, in that particular case, of course,
4 we're going to be relocating a lot of systems out of
5 there. But my point is that you can't just look at
6 an inventory that's sort of like a, you know, like a
7 street map of where people live. You know, like a
8 real estate plat. Because it's much more complex
9 than that, given geographic temporal sharing and, of
10 course, as we move ahead technologically, looking at
11 more advanced forms of sharing (off mic) radio.

12 So turning back to the President's
13 Memorandum, there were a couple aspects to it. The
14 memorandum directed NTIA to come up with metrics so
15 that agencies would report on their actual usage of
16 spectrum and the particular bands that the memorandum
17 directed NTIA to start with, were the bands that NTIA
18 had previously identified through some interagency
19 work as the ones most prone -- or most appealing for
20 use by the commercial sector. So start with those
21 and let's really do a deep-dive on what it looks
22 like. And the memorandum directed NTIA to come up

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1 with metrics and parameters to inform the decision.

2 If, for whatever reason, we know the
3 spectrum is either not going to be useful for the
4 commercial sector, or is just really not capable of

5 relocation or sharing, for whatever reason, there's
6 really no reason to spend a lot of time. And, you
7 know, you're get into some interesting issues here.
8 Sometimes federal systems are designed to mainly
9 listen. You know, pointed up to the skies and over
10 the oceans to detect activity that would be
11 presumably unwanted. But it's just listening, so you
12 don't see transmissions going on, hopefully, in a lot
13 of these bands. So you've got to solve for those
14 kinds of issues too, because if you define usage as
15 transmission, you are not really capturing the full
16 picture.

17 Of course, the memorandum also directed
18 NTIA to focus particularly on bands that might be
19 available for sharing or for clearing in metropolitan
20 areas, where the commercial demand is going to be the
21 most. And it's a two-way street, the memorandum said
22 of course, the agencies have to continue to execute

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1 their missions and in some cases that could include,
2 actually increasing spectrum. But we want to do it
3 efficiently.

4 One of the ideas that has come up recently
5 is what some folks call reciprocal sharing, which is
6 where you have commercial licensees who have not
7 built out. And there could be opportunities
8 particularly in the rural areas where they haven't
9 built out, but where the federal agencies could make
10 use of them, particularly the defense department.

11 So, you know, if unused federally assigned
12 spectrum creates opportunities for the commercial
13 side, then it can work the other way too. And I know
14 there was discussion of this leading up to today's
15 order of the FCC, the agencies were talking to the
16 FCC about potential opportunities in that band, and I
17 don't think we're at a point now to come out with any
18 rules on that, but it is something that's going to
19 remain on the dashboard.

20 So then the agencies will do these
21 quantitative assessments of their usage of spectrum
22 and then report them to NTIA, which then just further

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1 informs the process of next steps for freeing up
2 spectrum for commercial use.

3 Then, this same approach, to what I've
4 described so far, is going to be in specific bands,
5 that same approach will eventually be sort of
6 filtered in so that we get that information across
7 all bands. And we're going to do that by taking
8 advantage of the process already in place where every
9 -- usually every five years an agency has to come in
10 to NTIA and basically redo, or re-up its assignment.
11 As part of that, every five years, they'll just be
12 required to add this data -- this data about actual
13 usage as they come back in to renew the assignment.

14 That's a staggered process so it just
15 depends on whenever the assignment was made, so
16 that'll take a while to kind of filter through the

17 system. But that, you know, eventually if we can get
18 all these pieces together, should give us the best
19 picture we've had of federal spectrum usage.

20 One other related piece I should note was
21 the President directed NTIA also to consider or
22 establish a pilot program of actual spectrum

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1 monitoring. And I give credit to Dennis because he's
2 done as much as anyone in this field, by actually
3 going out into the field and trying to figure out
4 what is the best way to measure and monitor spectrum
5 usage to make it really useful for the purposes we've
6 been talking about here. The President's fiscal year
7 '15 budget set aside, I think, about \$7 million for
8 NTIA to get this up and running. We've got to work
9 with Congress to get that through. But that's a
10 third and important piece of this effort.

11 I'll just finish by noting that, you know,
12 from the federal perspective, trying to solve these
13 issues is a lot harder than it might look. And I
14 know you folks know how hard it is. But the more I
15 work with these -- the folks at the agencies, the
16 more impressed I am at the level of effort they're
17 putting into this. But, you know, I was talking to
18 someone the other day who sort of made the point
19 that, you know, if you're a commercial carrier or a
20 licensed carrier, you can -- you've got a license to
21 bill out some area, you can figure out, strategize
22 about where to put the towers, how many towers to put

1 in, how much is going to be offloaded to Wi-Fi, what
2 is the basic quality of service you are trying to
3 provide. All of those factors -- it's hard, but you
4 control the levers.

5 You could say the federal government is in
6 the same position, but the big difference is in the
7 federal government you really have different
8 agencies, you know, DHS and DOJ and the Defense
9 Department, these are all different agencies running
10 different systems -- completely different systems.
11 They're not -- you know, it's not like a cell system
12 or, you know, a wireless carrier setting up its own
13 network. These are all completely different systems
14 that we try to coordinate together. You know, NTIA
15 can help with that, but it makes it really hard to
16 try to make these decisions in an interdependent way.
17 But that's really the focus, and as we have seen over
18 the last few years, with the great demand -- increase
19 in demand of spectrum, it's more and more important
20 for the agencies to continue to work together with
21 each other, and as well as with the industry and the
22 other stakeholders. Which is another direction, as

1 the Presidential Memorandum pushed on, that we be
2 given the work of a Congress spectrum management
3 advisory committee, that again, has helped get us to

4 today, over at the Commission with the aid of his
5 band.

6 So I will cut off there and hand it over
7 to Dale or Mark.

8 MR. SUBRAMANIAN: Thank you, Tom.

9 Next we have Mr. Mark Gorenberg. Mr. Mark
10 Gorenberg is a venture capitalist and owner of Zetta
11 Venture Partners, which is focused on investing in
12 early stage companies in data analytics. He
13 currently serves as a board member of Domo, Follow
14 Analytics, InsideSales and Optimine. Previously he
15 was a Managing Director of Hummer Winblad Venture
16 Partners, which he joined in 1990 when the firm began
17 investing in its first fund.

18 Over the time, he has served as a board
19 member for numerous successful start-ups, including
20 Omniture, AdForce, NetDynamics, and Scopus
21 Technologies. Earlier, Mr. Gorenberg was with Sun
22 Microsystems, where he managed emerging new media

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1 areas and was a member of the original SparcStation
2 team.

3 He currently serves on the President's
4 Council of Advisors on Science and Technology
5 (PCAST), the Board of Trustees for Massachusetts
6 Institute of Technology (MIT), the Board of the
7 National Venture Capital Association, and the FCC's
8 Technological Advisory Council. He doesn't sleep, by
9 the way. As a member of PCAST, in 2012, Mr.

10 Gorenberg chaired the report the President called
11 "Realizing the Full Potential of Government--Held
12 Spectrum to Spur Economic Growth." He graduated from
13 MIT and received master's degrees from the University
14 of Minnesota and Stanford University.

15 We are extremely lucky to have him and the
16 right person to really get these things rolling here.

17 MR. GORENBERG: Thank you, very much for
18 that very generous introduction. It's quite an honor
19 to be here today. Special thank yous to Byron, to
20 Dennis, to Wendy, to Joe for the great program
21 they've put together.

22 It's quite an honor to be on this panel

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1 with people like Tom Power, who actually is, I think,
2 will be the voice of the White House today for the
3 movement that's going forward. And truly the
4 architect of the Presidential Memorandum that came
5 out about a year after the PCAST report. And also
6 here with Dale, who has put a lifetime into this
7 field, who was a huge voice behind the PCAST report,
8 and heads up the policy advocate; for a long time
9 about receiver management which I'm sure you'll
10 probably talk about.

11 (Laughter.)

12 MR. GORENBERG: We'll ask him some
13 questions and get him out there. The PCAST report
14 was truly a labor of love, we spent about nine months
15 on that. A lot of people in this room were very

16 actively involved in the reports and you'll see the
17 list of names. And I would like ask the people who
18 were involved, if at least they would raise their
19 hands to get recognition from this group. Please.
20 They truly deserve it.

21 (Applause.)

22 MR. GORENBERG: Thank you.

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1 As you know, the report came out in July
2 of 2012 on the notion that -- about creating really
3 the first spectrum superhighways. The notion, if you
4 want to use it by example, The Roosevelt
5 Administration that came out with the idea of
6 creating the interstate highway system, about sharing
7 the roads, it was implemented in the Eisenhower
8 Administration, here we look to more of the concept
9 of spectrum, 100 years after the sinking of the
10 Titanic, to say, is there a better road, is there a
11 way to do spectrum sharing. And we thought that
12 spectrum sharing was the only way -- and particularly
13 dynamic spectrum sharing -- was the only way to
14 provide the resources to meet the problem that we
15 were dealing with that dense usage will drive the
16 idea of new technologies, and a large thing that
17 drove us was the idea of innovating and I'm certainly
18 looking forward to seeing a lot of the ideas at the
19 break or during lunchtime that people are working on.

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21 And also the idea of building out from
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22 coverage to building in for capacity. With that, I

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1 would frame some core ideas that went beyond the idea
2 of geographical databases, the idea of what we call
3 the spectrum access system, the three-tier system
4 where you have the incumbents -- you have the ability
5 to have licensed spectrum with a priority and then,
6 of course, general access spectrum use. Which, in a
7 sense, took its roots from unlicensed spectrum, but
8 had the idea of having a license associated with it.

9 We also put in the ideas of being in our
10 receiver management framework, the idea of creating a
11 spectrum policy team in the White House that brought
12 together various factions and also could work with
13 the agencies, the NTIA with the FCC, et cetera, to
14 move that forward.

15 We looked at the idea of incentives, as
16 Tom talked about, trying to come up with a spectrum
17 currency system that would motivate the agencies to
18 move forward and also one where you would advance in
19 the spectrum to location fund more efficiency so that
20 the people could be rewarded for making their systems
21 more spectrum efficient oriented.

22 Those are just some of the sort of basic

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1 ideas that we put together. I think that some of the

2 -- the evolution has been very fast. As you know, as
3 we talked about, the PM came out in June of last
4 year. Rulemaking has gone on at the FCC now, 3.5
5 band, which was started by a speech by George
6 Chenokowski, at Stanford in September of 2012, and
7 then the Commissioners voted unanimously in December
8 of 2012 to move forward with that rulemaking. That's
9 undergone a lot of work, John particularly deserves
10 a lot of credit at the FCC for moving that forward.

11 And it's had a lot of comments, but those
12 comments seem to be converging, and that's converged
13 around a speech that Chairman Tom Mueller gave on
14 Monday at Brookings where he capped it off by saying
15 that he would circulate to his Commission -- to his
16 fellow Commissioners to up the rulemaking to make
17 the PCAST vision a reality. If they designated the
18 3.5 gigahertz band as the innovations band, and the
19 four tenants of that he talked about was the first
20 proposal for the three-tiered system.

21 He talked about second, how a flexible
22 band plan going into the spectrum, the sub-bands.

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1 Third proposal, to have flexible usage, clearly small
2 cell, in motivating a lot of this. But it will be a
3 number of uses of applications.

4 And finally, to look at the economic
5 incentives. And a couple of things that I find that
6 are very exciting, is one, that there's a lot of work
7 going on by Jason Furman and his organization at the

8 -- who's the Chairman of Economic Advisors -- on the
9 idea of creating what you would say is a short-term,
10 smaller geography licenses, the economics around
11 that, how do you -- how do you look at that from a
12 budgeting standpoint going forward. How do you make
13 that a reality?

14 And the other is the notion of moving
15 forward as we talked about in the report with the
16 model city. And that's something I know that Tom is
17 working very closely with. The idea that you will
18 have a place where you can essentially go beyond
19 testing, but actually implement all of these
20 different technologies together, to see them in
21 action, to see them working against the various
22 government systems.

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1 And then the third thing I find very
2 exciting, is some of the research -- some of the work
3 going on to look behind the 3.5 band. The 3.5 band,
4 which is very exciting to me, is one that the NTIA to
5 their credit brought forward very early on. It did
6 not because it was really looked at initially from
7 the idea of more traditional, you know, tower and not
8 small cell techniques. But as that moved forward
9 under the PCAST concept, that became very exciting to
10 people and that becomes out of the Petri dish --
11 sharing the radar systems.

12 We looked at the idea of the 2.7 to the
13 3.7 band and there's a lot of work going on there now

14 to try to look for the next set of bands. And also,
15 interested in areas above that, like the 3.7 to the
16 4.2 in the C band. But there's no reason why these
17 frequencies can't be extremely valuable, particularly
18 in the sharing arrangement. We've gotten great usage
19 out of the 2.4, we've got great usage out of the five
20 gigahertz. This seems very fruitful.

21 And also, if you look out ten years from
22 now in some of the little work I'm doing in my day

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1 job, I think ten years from now, cellular the way --
2 the use of wireless spectrum, cellular the way we
3 know it today, will not be the dominant use of the
4 wireless -- the Internet of things, which is one sort
5 of marketing moniker, we call it technophysical
6 systems, 50 billion devices, frankly, all using
7 wireless technology, creating huge amounts of data,
8 turbines by General Electric create seven times more
9 data than Twitter.

10 So that the use of all this data in
11 wireless applications is going to be huge. As you go
12 out, this will become a very big force, and these
13 frequencies are just from a lot of the new
14 applications that we're talking about, and
15 particularly with sharing techniques.

16 So with that, I'll pass the baton over to
17 Dale. But again, thank all of you for your work, for
18 your innovative work going forward. The very first
19 endorser of the PCAST report was a group called Wind

20 Forum (noise) 150 innovative companies, we couldn't
21 be more grateful for the support that we got from the
22 community.

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1 MR. SUBRAMANIAN: Thank you, Mark.

2 Next on to Dr. Dale Hatfield. Dale
3 Hatfield is currently a Senior Fellow at the Silicon
4 Flatirons Center for Law, Technology, and
5 Entrepreneurship and an Adjunct Professor in the
6 Interdisciplinary Telecommunications Program, both at
7 the University of Colorado at Boulder.

8 Prior to joining the University, Hatfield
9 was the Chief of Office of Engineering and Technology
10 at the FCC and immediately before that he was Chief
11 Technologist at the Agency. He retired from the FCC
12 and the government service in December 2000.

13 Before joining FCC in December 1997, he
14 also was a CEO of Hatfield Associates Incorporation.
15 Before founding the consulting firm in 1982, he was
16 the Acting Assistant Secretary of Commerce for
17 Communications and Information and Acting
18 Administrator of the National Telecommunications
19 Information Administration. Before moving to NTIA,
20 Hatfield was the Chief of the Office of Plans and
21 Policy at the FCC.

22 He has over 50 years of experience in

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1 telecommunications policy and regulation, spectrum
2 management and related areas. He has been almost
3 there, everywhere, and he knows it all.

4 (Laughter.)

5 MR. SUBRAMANIAN: He holds a BS in
6 electrical engineering from Case Institute of
7 Technology, an MS from Industrial Management from
8 Purdue, and he also has an honorary doctorate.
9 Please welcome Dr. Dale Hatfield.

10 (Applause.)

11 MR. HATFIELD: Thank you, Rangam for the
12 very, very kind introduction. I'm just getting over
13 a cold, so my voice is a little raspy, that explains
14 it. But I really do want to thank everyone who made
15 my -- gave me the chance to be here and talk a little
16 about interference resolution and enforcement.
17 Within the bigger context, if you will, of the
18 subject matter of the workshop using data and
19 monitoring to improve spectrum utilization.

20 Before I jump in to my remarks, I think it
21 may be important to distinguish, because it confused
22 me for a while, between a, more passive, ideally

1 longer-term spectrum monitoring aimed at measuring
2 spectrum occupancy for the primary purpose of
3 identifying under-utilized or inefficiently used
4 spectrum; and b, more active, real-time spectrum and
5 direction-finding measurements that are aimed
6 primarily at detecting, identifying, and locating

7 interference sources for mitigation and enforcement
8 purposes.

9 I'm going to be focusing on the latter of
10 the two. But one of my messages, of course, when we
11 think about monitoring for the prior purposes, we
12 also think about the monitoring or enforcement as
13 well.

14 When I sat down and scribbled some notes
15 as to what I might say this morning, I thought I
16 would lay out a few hypotheses that I think are true
17 and kind of build on those. I won't have time, but I
18 will go through a couple of the things I think that
19 may be -- that may be obvious to you, but I think
20 I'll go through them anyway.

21 My sort of first hypothesis or premise is
22 that the United States is experiencing explosive

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1 growth in wireless devices and systems that
2 successfully must operate, not only in increasingly
3 close proximity to one another and the frequency
4 space and time domains, but also to other electrical
5 and electronic devices that unintentionally or
6 incidentally emit or are susceptible to
7 electromagnetic radiation. You may have read
8 recently some of the problems they are having with
9 the electronic ballasts in light fixtures causing
10 interference to nearby small cells. Well that's sort
11 of a new -- to me anyway, a new sort of interference
12 thing that we would not have been thinking about not

13 very long ago.

14 And of course, as we all know, that
15 densification stream produced by a whole bunch of
16 different things, and need to increase capacity, the
17 need to reduce guard bands, the need to take
18 advantage of temporal -- take advantage of gaps in
19 time to get temporal efficiencies. And, of course,
20 as I'm saying, I think this increased densification
21 really increases the risk of disrupting and harmful
22 interference.

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1 So my first hypothesis or premise is that
2 there is continuing growth and demand for spectrum,
3 nothing new there, that is producing increasing
4 densification which, in turn, increases the risk of
5 disrupting the harmful interference or at least
6 harmful and disruptive interference of a different
7 type than we are normally associated with dealing
8 with.

9 My second hypothesis or premise is, that
10 the increased value of the radio spectrum resource
11 will put pressure on both the FCC and the NTIA and
12 other government agencies, like to my right here, to
13 appropriately protect this radio resource and in
14 particular, to be able to more quickly and
15 effectively resolve cases of interference when they
16 do arise. And of course the latter is especially
17 true for services that are critical not only to our
18 economic and social well-being, but the public

19 safety, homeland security and (off mic).
20 More specifically, in terms of the PCAST
21 recommendations, going back to Mark a bit, the
22 immediate prospect of increased sharing of spectrum

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1 between and among federal government and non-federal
2 government-controlled devices and systems, creates
3 new challenges -- creates new challenges in terms of
4 the institutional relationships and processes that
5 are used to detect, identify, locate, mitigate, and
6 report on interference incidents. These challenges
7 have been exacerbated by the wider availability of
8 illegal devices capable of jamming or otherwise
9 disrupting wireless systems that are part of the
10 nation's critical infrastructure. It's one of the
11 things that caused me to lose a lot of sleep at night
12 is this issue of intentional, intentional,
13 intentional, intentional jamming. So it speaks to
14 the importance of enforcement and to measurements in
15 support of enforcement.

16 Clearly, clearly, the value of dynamically
17 shared spectrum to commercial entities depends upon
18 the processes and resources spectrum managers have
19 available to reduce the number of incidents of
20 harmful interference; and B, to resolve them quickly
21 when they do occur.

22 Similarly, the willingness of the federal

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1 government agencies to share larger amounts of
2 spectrum in more dynamic ways, depends upon their
3 confidence that applicable rules, regulation,
4 contracts and memoranda of understanding regarding
5 such sharing will be effectively enforced in a timely
6 manner.

7 In other words, I really buy in to the
8 PCAST vision, but ultimately, it's the willingness or
9 incentives, to use your term "incentives," depend
10 upon -- depend upon trust. Because I, as an
11 investor, will be hesitant to invest in spectrum if I
12 have doubts about whether I will be protected
13 adequately from interference, and certainly if I'm in
14 a national agency that has defense -- homeland
15 defense sort of responsibility, my willingness to
16 share is going to depend upon my trust that the
17 enforcement part -- my enforcement part will work.

18 So we've got to make sure that we have the
19 appropriate tools and the appropriate processes to
20 work quickly and effectively with cases of
21 interference when they arise. As I say here in my
22 notes and I've underlined it to do, otherwise will

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1 undercut the very basis upon which increased sharing
2 called for in the PCAST report rests.

3 I'm going to run out of time, so let me
4 just touch on a couple of other points in a more

5 summary fashion. Once this is -- a classic two-edged
6 sword, I see on the one hand, this marvelous new
7 technology that's doing all these things to make
8 things much more dynamic to the digital with changing
9 waveforms, all these things that are such magic
10 things going on. But all of those tend to complicate
11 -- tend to complicate the enforcement.

12 In the old days, when -- I have some
13 friends here from the Enforcement Bureau at the FCC,
14 and are pretty straightforward, you found that really
15 high antenna that was sticking up out there, it was
16 running at high power, you could DF on it from a
17 great distance and they were really nice to you, they
18 even, you know, every so often gave their call
19 letters so you knew who they were, you know. And
20 moreover, they used what, the AM and FM, so you know,
21 there wasn't too many modulation waveforms you had to
22 choose from.

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1 But put yourself, just for a moment in the
2 seat of the FCC's band today with these changes that
3 are -- changes that are going on. You're dealing
4 with these myriad of waveforms and people are jumping
5 around, the interference may be much more -- much
6 more transient. In many services we don't have
7 anything like call letters anymore. Those were kind
8 of handy, you know.

9 (Laughter.)

10 MR. HATFIELD: That leads to another point

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11 that I'll make in a moment. So on the one hand we
12 have, you know, these challenges, but on the other
13 hand we have these same tools can be applied in ways
14 to help us on the enforcement side.

15 I know John Chapin, in the back here
16 somewhere, yeah, John. I believe, John, you were the
17 person who had this brilliant idea -- I think it's
18 brilliant -- that we have handsets going around, have
19 a lot of processing and storage capability, why don't
20 they store the last, what, minute or two of the INQ
21 information in the receiver and you would put it on a
22 loop and if you had interference incident, what you

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1 would do, you would stop, save that, and then you
2 would go through a post-processing thing where you
3 could take a look and say, okay, my call dropped
4 repeatedly at a certain intersection, other people's
5 calls dropped, let's do a -- let's take a look and
6 find out what's going on there. These are the sort
7 of things that weren't possible before.

8 I'd like to talk a little bit more about
9 big data and some of those things, but I don't think
10 I have time. But the point -- my point is, very
11 simply, that the technology -- wonderful technology
12 that we're seeing is a two-edged sword, of the one
13 hand it's enabling us to do really, really
14 sophisticated things which presents problems. On the
15 other hand, that same development in technology, for
16 giving us some tools that we didn't have before, that

17 we can apply to enforcement problem.

18 Let me -- sometimes I feel like I'm on a
19 soapbox a little bit, but let me say, well one time
20 it was incentives, you know, we're not going to have
21 sharing unless we have the incentives right. And
22 that's good, I see we're right there, and, of course,

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1 I've been on the receivers, having to do something
2 about receivers since almost the start of my career.
3 I guess right now, my comment is that we need to take
4 in enforcement at the time we create rules and
5 systems. Enforcement can't be an afterthought.

6 What you need, right, is you need hooks,
7 and to be able to do the sort of interpretation of
8 finding out what sort of things have gone wrong.

9 Too often what happens is, we make rules
10 for a new service and then hand them to the
11 enforcement bureau saying, okay, we've done our work,
12 go enforce it. Well, like I say, that may be
13 difficult today because unless there's some ability
14 to identify who the bad guy is and so forth, you're
15 going to have a tough time doing your enforcement
16 function. So when we talk about 3.5 gigahertz and so
17 forth, we need to think early and strongly about what
18 we're going to do to make sure that enforcement is
19 done properly. Because if it doesn't, it undermines
20 this trust that I'm talking about if we can't, we
21 can't make it work.

22 Okay. I think that -- oh, let me make one

1 final observation, and I'll stop, I promise. I've
2 been doing some work for the last few months and then
3 in preparation for this conference, and what I'm
4 learning is that there is an enormous amount of
5 monitoring data already being collected by people.

6 For example, all the carriers do
7 extensive drive tests for very good reason, because
8 they want to know where their coverage is, and they
9 even might want to know where the coverage of their
10 competitors are, so they can do a better job. The
11 tower companies, what do they do? They do extensive
12 drive tests because they want to know where would be
13 a good place to put a new tower. And of course,
14 there's specialty, I think here in the room, what is
15 it, DESS, the satellite sensing, they do extensive
16 measurements too.

17 So when I look around, there's all this
18 information and it looks to me it's all being
19 collected in what, silos. I think there are
20 opportunities, I believe there are opportunities
21 using this sort of data -- the big data thing gets a
22 little flaky. But I do believe there's a real

1 element of truth there, we have an awful lot of
2 information that we're not fully taking advantage of.

3 And then secondly, as we think about what
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4 we want to do in the future in terms of occupancy
5 type measurements, we ought to think about what we
6 can sort of tagalong do in terms of enforcement as
7 well. So let me stop there.

8 MR. SUBRAMANIAN: Thank you, Dale.

9 Now let's start with the question answer
10 session. I'll start with a few questions to the
11 panel, and then I'll leave the floor open and you can
12 ask questions.

13 Let's start with the PCAST. We had both
14 -- I think all of them mentioned the PCAST.

15 Mark, you were the leader of the PCAST
16 report, let me ask you a straight question. Are you
17 happy with how the global indices stakeholders
18 reacted to the PCAST report? Are you happy with the
19 set of actions that govern the things you did so far?
20 If you think, why, what are the things that you're
21 happy about. If not, what are the actions that?

22 MR. GORENBERG: I'm actually not just

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1 happy, I'm actually thrilled. I mean, you have to
2 think about this. We're less than two years since
3 the report came out, we've already gotten a
4 Presidential Memorandum, a huge uptake at the FCC, a
5 lot of stakeholders that are involved to try to move
6 this forward. We have a band designated with a new
7 terminology innovation band. We've got leadership on
8 so many different quarters. And again, a huge
9 credit to Tom for what he's been doing at the White

10 House. Huge credit to people like Dennis over at the
11 FCC and the NTIA.

12 You know, I feel that this will be
13 implemented in this administration, and that is one
14 of the greatest things that you can think about,
15 which is, to have a report come out and actually have
16 it move forward.

17 I really appreciate Dale's comments on
18 moving into being done. And it's really great also
19 to realize that when we started this report Dale was
20 talking a lot about carrots.

21 (Laughter.)

22 MR. GORENBERG: His incentive word was

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1 carrots, carrots, carrots. Now I guess you're
2 bringing the sticks.

3 (Laughter.)

4 MR. GORENBERG: So this will be
5 implemented with both.

6 And I think the other part about this
7 which maybe we've seen, as we see change at some of
8 the agencies like the DOD and Tom can probably
9 speak about this better, but just in the small amount
10 of time that I've spent and huge receptive ear to
11 move this forward. I mean, people are realizing the
12 alternatives to clearing spectrum the costs involved,
13 the time involved, the fact that it takes years --
14 well, it will take years to get any usage by the
15 commercial sector. It's just untenable.

16 The idea that you can start off in a
17 system and actually gain use very quickly and then
18 get more and more use as you progress

19 (Sound interference; Loud buzzing)

20 MR. GORENBERG: -- that's a win for
21 everyone. And I think the agencies, and particularly
22 give credit to DOD because they have so much federal

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1 spending it's been a huge partner in that regard.
2 And private industry has been and obviously many --
3 we've already seen prototypes of spectrum access
4 systems. I think we'll see far more work on (noise).

5 I do think that this public/private
6 partnership is going to be really something for us to
7 watch.

8 MR. SUBRAMANIAN: Are you happy with how
9 we are reacting to this?

10 MR. GORENBERG: Yes, I am.

11 MR. SUBRAMANIAN: I have one more question
12 for you on this. If you do this PCAST report again,
13 do you think you will change any of the foundations
14 or recommendations.

15 (Simultaneous conversation.)

16 MR. SUBRAMANIAN: If you do this again,
17 now that it's about a year, is there together that
18 you might change the recommendations or --

19 MR. GORENBERG: No, I think that we -- we
20 have a lot of stakeholders involved in crafting the
21 recommendations that we get. I think we're very

22 happy to get to the planning tests.

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1 MR. SUBRAMANIAN: If we could give --

2 (Applause.)

3 MR. SUBRAMANIAN: Dale, what is your take?

4 You have been in this business for close to 50 years,
5 what is the think-tank perspectives on the PCAST and
6 where do you think the government work -- how do you
7 think about it?

8 MR. HATFIELD: Well, I'm trying to think
9 of the right word. Probably ecstatic. I mean, I
10 think it really is true the progress that's been made
11 in two years is incredible. There's some things that
12 still bother me. The principle right now is not
13 losing control of this resource where people go out
14 and buy cameras, for example, and think that they can
15 use them with immunity. And those are the things so
16 that continues to -- that continues to worry me, at
17 least my current (off mic).

18 And then, of course, Mark set me up. I
19 mean, how can I not say, you know, as the receiver, I
20 mean, you know, we just cannot afford to let people,
21 you know, I'm not picking on anybody, you know, you
22 get a 10 megahertz assignment and then claim they

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1 have to have protection 100 megahertz on either

2 side because they got crappy receivers. I mean, that
 3 is just -- you know, we can't afford that any longer.
 4 We just really cannot afford that. And the same sort
 5 of transitions that we talk about, I'm, as you may
 6 know, a big fan of something called the Harm Claim
 7 Threshold, as a way of trying to give a little bit
 8 more precise. The challenge we've always had is how
 9 you define harmful in appearance. I mean, nobody has
 10 been able to do it successfully because I think it's
 11 an impossible problem. And that what you have to do
 12 is go to something like Harms Claim Threshold so it's
 13 the subject and you know when you use some sort of
 14 maybe a multi-stakeholder group or something to come
 15 up with the right comments and then transition over
 16 time to the receivers and (off mic) over some period
 17 of time. So I am still concerned about the receiver.

18 But I, generally speaking, feel very, very
 19 good about it.

20 MR. SUBRAMANIAN: Now to Tom. Obviously
 21 you must be very proud of the action that has
 22 happened after the PCAST. And there have been two

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1 national memorandums and that being one, what is
 2 next? What is the perspective? We keep talking
 3 about this African woman now in various economic
 4 sectors also we are talking about recreating the
 5 innovation and can you bring that light of innovation
 6 again? What is the next setup that you think from
 7 your White House perspective?

8 MR. POWER: You know, I just have to start
9 by remarking as Dale was talking about interference
10 with when we started getting that buzzing sound.

11 (Laughter.)

12 MR. POWER: I think he's got a little bit
13 of ice that he --

14 (Laughter.)

15 MR. SUBRAMANIAN:

16 MR. POWER: Well, I mean, you know, I made
17 mention earlier and I appreciate Mark's comments
18 about the agencies and the work they're doing. But,
19 as I said earlier, we have dumped a whole lot on
20 them. There is plenty they have going on now. But
21 based on, again, (off mic) and Miranda and
22 legislation and all the regular FCC, so much of it

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1 born out of the PCAST report, and I will tell you,
2 sitting in the Office of Science Technology Policy,
3 you know, a lot of what we do is help develop and
4 implement and then coordinate the agencies and really
5 getting agencies together whether it's on spectrum or
6 any other issue, and it's a really hard job to -- you
7 know, each agency has their own mission, they have
8 their own leadership, they have their own staff,
9 usually they have their own budget, they have their
10 own appropriators and authorizers on the Hill, you
11 know, they are (off mic) in a sense. And so trying
12 to align everyone and get everyone going in the same
13 direction, you know, under the best of circumstances

14 where everybody is totally motivated, even then, it's
15 very hard. And sometimes it's even harder.

16 So I think, you know, we've pretty much
17 got our plate full. I wouldn't expect to be able to
18 impose any more work on the agencies.

19 I will say the amount of effort that's
20 going on throughout all stakeholders, not just the
21 government, really is remarkable and I -- you know,
22 when you're in the weeds as all of you are and all of

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1 we are, you sometimes can lose focus of that. But I
2 had a privilege of meeting a month or two ago with a
3 woman who was a former, sort of equivalent of FCC
4 Commissioner in France. And she's been commissioned
5 by a French cabinet secretary to write a report on
6 spectrum in particular. And she reached out because
7 she wanted to talk about PCAST and all the spectrum
8 sharing issues going on here. And I had a wonderful
9 meeting with her, spent an hour or so over at the
10 French Embassy. When we got to the end of the
11 conversation and she said, I've got one more question
12 for you. Why is your President the only leader in
13 the world that talks about spectrum? She said, you
14 know, in the rest of the world this is just some dry
15 technical issue, and would never get anyone's
16 attention. I'm -- she said, I'm commissioned to
17 write for (noise) I mean, that's like as important as
18 we've got here. But, you know, you've got a
19 president who has pushed legislation through, he's

20 got two memoranda, he commissioned the PCAST report,
21 what's going on? Why is that different?
22 And I sat and just reveled in the moment

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1 for a moment. And then -- and then I just said,
2 well, it's the economy, pure and simple. And she
3 chuckled and she goes, well, we have an economy.
4 (Laughter.)
5 MR. POWER: And I said, well, your leaders
6 should be talking more about spectrum. But I really
7 do -- I think the plate is full. So I think the next
8 steps are, you know, implementing 3.5 and
9 implementing the 5 gigahertz issues. We're looking
10 at all -- a whole number of fronts. One of the --
11 you know, you asked Mark about his success and I --
12 you know, if you go through the PCAST report you can
13 see action on almost everything.
14 One of the things he talked about was this
15 idea of a model city and this would be an idea of
16 like having a real world environment to do, you know,
17 actual deployments and the sort of pre -- well, for
18 Mark he would probably have his own vision of it,
19 sort of pre-widespread commercial deployment, but
20 you're actually out there operating in a real
21 environment. So we've been talking about ways to
22 maybe make that work, talking to the FCC. I mean,

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1 they -- I think all the tools are there, it's just a
2 question of getting the players together, whether
3 it's industry, government, public safety, and a city
4 or two who would want to collaborate. So we might be
5 looking for some more motion in that area too.

6 MR. SUBRAMANIAN: Thank you. Okay. Now,
7 let's talk about investments on a broad perspective.
8 Typically the moment in particular has invested in a
9 huge rate in multiple economic sectors especially on
10 the basic research, while the industry has jumped in
11 on the up high taking it forward.

12 And that has given global technology
13 leadership in the United States in almost every
14 sector.

15 Now, the question for Mark is, are you
16 happy -- I know -- if you could look at the last 10,
17 15 years, a lot has happened to the application
18 space, the moment of application space, you can look
19 at the return -- soon the other company that is --
20 that is created in this value as stock markets go up
21 but it tells the basic fundamental research, many
22 companies have floundered, the the OEMs, and the

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1 (off mic) have floundered. Now, are you happy, Mark,
2 with the investment right now and how is the Silicon
3 Valley right now working? Is it really hot right
4 now, not -- Silicon Valley, Boston, Dallas, so many
5 others and Washington, D.C. You can think yes and
6 what are some of the examples -- if not, why not, and

7 what can be done?

8 MR. GORENBERG: You know, it's interesting
9 right now because I come here and we talk about, are
10 we doing enough to invest in -- we sit in Silicon
11 Valley and people ask every day, they ask these
12 panels, are we headed to a bubble? Are we doing too
13 much investing? But I would argue in areas like
14 mobile and in data, and analytics particularly, it's
15 been a great area to invest in which is why I decided
16 also to create a focus fund and purely consider it.

17 I've seen a lot of great poster children
18 out there for the use of this data. I would call it
19 the next wave of analytics. Professor Tom Dowling at
20 Wharton Business School calls it analytics 3.0. The
21 idea of analytics for business impact. So going
22 beyond traditional analytics, going beyond big data

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1 infrastructure to the going into the idea of how do
2 you sit through this data, how do you apply machine
3 learning, how do you do predictive analytics and
4 prescriptive analytics to really make sense out of it
5 all.

6 I think you're seeing that as one temple I
7 think you're seeing huge investment now and we talked
8 about this industrial sector for analytics data and
9 mobile which will be widespread through the whole
10 country. I've seen startups all the time outside the
11 Silicon Valley. I mean, Utah -- investing in
12 companies in Utah and Minneapolis, seen companies,

13 you know, in the heartland. Talked to a company
14 recently in Milwaukee, talking to companies in places
15 like Pittsburgh and Detroit. And there's a
16 renaissance in this area now for young startups. So
17 I think this will be a great area for investment.
18 And I think you will see investments by some of the
19 larger Internet companies. I know we have people
20 here from Google who obviously invested strongly in
21 this area and larger companies are investing in this
22 area as well.

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1 I do think that one of the areas that we
2 have had a lot of investment clearly has been in the
3 private sector and the areas around spectrum. But
4 that's because that's been a scarce commodity
5 controlled by, you know, in a different way. And our
6 whole vision was that if we could make that abundant,
7 if we could take that and make it like Wi-Fi is, like
8 the 2.4 is, we'll get huge investment of startups
9 that sit on top of that as well. And I believe that
10 that will be the next renaissance after we can start
11 some of these innovations

12 MR. SUBRAMANIAN: What is the

13 MR. GORENBERG: Pardon?

14 MR. SUBRAMANIAN: What are the thoughts on
15 this, the investment plan?

16 MR. HATFIELD: Well, that's outside my
17 wheelhouse, I'd say, as they say. One of the things
18 that I see some -- just because people who call me,

19 is there seems to be a lot more interest in people
20 trying to find as spectrum issues under look things
21 and in other words which is really kind of intriguing
22 because as the spectrum gets more valuable and we get

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1 more flexible and so forth, you would hope that's
2 exactly what people are doing. They're saying, gee,
3 look we got this, and we put it with this beside it.
4 We got that. We could then create something that has
5 even higher value.

6 I don't spend an awful lot of my time on
7 the investment side, but the things that -- that is a
8 sort of thing that's encouraging to us. I do some
9 investing, but it's mostly -- mostly pretty narrow --
10 narrow technologies and that stuff, in this area
11 though, as much as I can.

12 MR. BARKER: I know we're getting close --

13 MR. SUBRAMANIAN: Yes, next give me the
14 audience --

15 MR. BARKER: -- so since I have Paige
16 kicking me in the leg.

17 (Simultaneous conversation.)

18 MR. SUBRAMANIAN: Yes, thank you.

19 PARTICIPANT: Fundamentally two key
20 enablers are (noise) not just spectrum usage
21 information, but technology process as people. And
22 it is a two-way street and ultimately sharing is

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1 sharing. It's not just sharing in the federal
2 spectrum with commercial users. And, Tom, you
3 mentioned starting discussions of reciprocity. How
4 far along are we in that notion, and what progress
5 are we making there?

6 MR. POWER: I think we're at the
7 beginning. I mean, I guess you could imagine a few
8 different variations of this, but, you know, one
9 would be that going forward is Commission issues as
10 far as the licenses, this would just be condition in
11 there. You know, I don't know, the details of it.
12 So frankly I think we're at the beginning and part of
13 the reason for that is, you know, it was raised, I
14 believe, in the FCC and I know there were some
15 discussions going on and I think for the (off mic) it
16 was just -- although they are the biggest winner out
17 of it, you know, they're really focused right now on
18 petition plans, on the planning for moving systems
19 out and how they're going to share with systems that
20 are there. And I think it was just, you know, you
21 want to get there, but I think it was just the burden
22 of trying to solve enough that was on their plate.

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1 So we're at the beginning stages, but, you know, I do
2 think it is inevitable. And the trust issue is
3 really one way to think about it. But it is the flip
4 side of enforcement because folks have to be certain.

5 And so, you know, when you're a federal
6 agency and you've got some really vital mission that
7 you have to execute. I mean, that is your job. And
8 so, you know, you sort of know how you're going to
9 design your system and then you build protections
10 around that. And, you know, DOD does that, DOJ does
11 that, DHS does that, FAA does that, you know, and
12 this goes back to you know what the PCAST looks like
13 Okay, that's great and makes sense, but does that
14 mean that in fact there are some opportunities. We
15 do get smarter and develop trust and enforcement and
16 new technology, you know, is there some availability
17 there we can shrink, essentially, the footprint of
18 the feds and make more available on the commercial
19 side, and vice-versa. It's a little simpler doing it
20 the other way because you just sort of look to see
21 where it's built or because of, you know, (noise) as
22 a license, you can tell a lot more easily what's

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1 available for sharing.

2 So it's easier to do just more at the
3 beginning stages, I'd say.

4 MR. SUBRAMANIAN: Thank you. Anyone
5 else? Please raise your hands.

6 (Pause.)

7 PARTICIPANT: Since I made some of these
8 group sharing measurements 20 years ago, there are
9 two classes of people whom I've found and there is a
10 little bit different. One is public safety with whom

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11 I work very closely. They have a very simple
12 principle, my spectrum is mine, and your spectrum is
13 mine when I need it.
14 (Laughter.)
15 PARTICIPANT: Which makes it a lot easier.
16 But they have reason for that because they are
17 concerned about life safety. They want to go home
18 safely to their families that evening. And anything
19 that might impinge on that and they're all from
20 Missouri -- they're very concerned about it. So it's
21 not always that private sector wants to jump in, but
22 sometimes (off mic) throughout the spectrum and trust

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1 issue because what.
2 The second area though is a little bit
3 more interesting. For example, if you take
4 microwave, they sometimes have 35db modules. So, and
5 the reason they have the the modules is not because
6 they need it at all times to carry their megabits per
7 second, but it's because their regular constraints
8 that say that it has you will still continue to
9 operate and that you must have enough time of at
10 least so many minutes of up time, that's the downtime
11 of only so many minutes per year.
12 So now those are folks where if you are
13 willing to incentivize them, if you are ready to --
14 that's why I looked, that's a single harm -- (noise)
15 a dynamic threshold as well. Then there might be
16 actually ways of doing it. They wouldn't mind some

17 money for all that that they got and somebody else
18 uses it and taking its money out. So I think it's a
19 different clientele. I think it's taking each
20 approach sensitively with respect for why they want
21 the way they do. Then I think you do have an
22 opportunity.

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1 MR. SUBRAMANIAN: Thank you. Any other
2 questions?

3 MR. BARKER: There wasn't a question in
4 there, was it?

5 MR. SUBRAMANIAN: It was a comment.

6 PARTICIPANT: University of Pittsburgh.
7 This is a question for Mark in particular. I'm
8 interested in his question of investment in systems.
9 So if you had a proposal for a company that relied on
10 (noise) document how comfortable would you be about
11 an investment like that? I guess I just -- and I'm
12 looking at a sort of a rubber-on-the-road type of a
13 reaction.

14 MR. GORENBERG: It's a broad question to
15 talk about it in general's (noise) spectrum. But I'm
16 happy to if you have a start up --

17 (Laughter.)

18 MR. GORENBERG: Happy to go and to talk
19 with them and to see what they're doing. But I do
20 think the whole area, you know, the whole
21 intersection of (noise) mobile data, we talked about
22 that. It's just the huge uptake area that's going to

1 be going forward. And so I have to -- the answer to
2 your question is more, what is the infrastructure
3 that's done by the big players? What are the middle
4 levels and the applications that are done by the
5 startups? And that's really the idea to ferret out.
6 And so what I would look at is, you know, what's
7 their positioning in the market? And also, what kind
8 of leverage they can have, what kind of partners can
9 they have to move that forward? Are they going to
10 help them forward or are these going to move forward
11 -- said we'll help them and they can get a huge wave
12 underneath, then there's probably a greater (off
13 mic).

14 MR. BARKER: Two more with the Drug
15 Enforcement Administration. We've been talking to
16 industry and as technology has branched out now and
17 there's more, looks like in the future a lot more
18 machine-to-machine type wireless devices that are
19 going to proliferate. Is anybody doing any basic
20 research to understand how that's going to change the
21 noise in general (noise) areas especially in the
22 urban density?

1 (Laughter.)

2 PARTICIPANT: Because that's going to
3 change design dynamics and everything after that.

4 MR. HATFIELD: Here again, I've had hot
5 flashes over the years.

6 (Laughter.)

7 MR. HATFIELD: That's one (noise)

8 (Simultaneous conversation.)

9 MR. HATFIELD: We don't know near as much
10 as we should know about the background increase in
11 noise. Now, some we know actually is going down,
12 like emission noise, automobile emission noise, I
13 think has actually trended down. But one of the
14 things we've had in the tack for how many years,
15 Dennis?

16 MR. ROBERSON: Fifteen.

17 MR. HATFIELD: Something. Since the tack
18 has been in use, we simply got to understand more
19 about what's happening to the noise floor. When I
20 talk to the old timers, old timers like me, everybody
21 says, gee, that the background noise is ten degrees
22 higher than when I started my career or something

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1 like that. That's what they'll tell you. But
2 getting real factual information in the area is
3 really tough. I was talking to somebody here about
4 the idea with these airborne measurements that
5 perhaps you could go out and make measurements over
6 the ocean or someplace where there's absolutely no
7 noise. Anyway, making some measurements there and
8 then doing some measurements in supposedly unoccupied
9 spectrum in urban areas and get some sort of feel of

10 what the delta is between the very isolated area and
11 urban area.

12 We need to get a handle -- really get a
13 handle on this because the switching powers apply.
14 The -- as I mentioned before, the electronic
15 ballasts, there's just all kinds of things out there
16 that's contributing now to noise and we don't have a
17 good handle on it.

18 PARTICIPANT: Good morning. Ted Rappaport
19 from NYU. Spectrum sharing is very promising.
20 There's a lot of good work happening, but I wanted to
21 ask the panelists what their thoughts are about the
22 new spectrum band that's been shown to be viable and

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1 that is the millimeter wave spectrum, especially for
2 small cells where there's tremendous international
3 interest. And work over the last few years has shown
4 you can get gigahertz bandwidths, channel chunks that
5 are so much bigger than the 50 megahertz chunks we're
6 talking about today where you can really unleash not
7 only spectrum, but capacity to keep up with the heavy
8 demand.

9 The U.S. has always led the way with the
10 ISM band and permitting spread spectrum. Where is
11 policy and where is the U.S. going to be looking for
12 the millimeter wave bands where we see China and
13 Korea starting to make big investments?

14 MR. SUBRAMANIAN: Tom, do you want to take
15 this?

16 MR. POWER: You know, I told Dale I was
17 going to meet him at the reception later because this
18 is one of the three things that I need to ask him
19 about. I am not the guy to ask on the technical, you
20 know, capabilities. I hear lots of excitement just
21 as you're describing. You know, I will tell you, I
22 don't think, because the rulemaking (noise) out of

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1 the FCC are any great policy shift within the
2 administration any time soon, but it's something we
3 need to keep our eye on. But I will confess, I'm not
4 much detail of what the options are.

5 (Simultaneous conversation.)

6 MR. POWER: My professor might be able to.

7 MR. HATFIELD: I'm not sure I can say very
8 much. Yes, we need to do it. I mean, the pressure
9 here is so great that if we can find ways of going
10 higher and using spectrum. As an old man, I can't
11 help but tell you, I can remember when we were laying
12 mobile radios at 150 megahertz and the proposal was
13 to go to 450 and everybody said it wouldn't work, it
14 was too high, you know.

15 (Laughter.)

16 MR. HATFIELD: So it's sort of sometimes
17 -- I'm not kidding, you know. Yeah, and so, you
18 know, we tend to dismiss some of the higher
19 frequencies too quickly and all the things that are
20 going on and so forth. It's something we sure should
21 be taking a serious look at.

22 MR. POWER: One piece of this, you know,

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1 Rangam spoke earlier about the difference between
2 basic research and applied research and how we
3 historically or consistently historically look to the
4 government to help fund the basic research through
5 NSF and then industry sort of takes it from there.
6 And it's easy to see why. You know, the question
7 about what is your investment strategy when it comes
8 to shared spectrum? You know, once the investor or
9 company can actually see a return on investment and a
10 business model, you know, the money starts flowing.
11 Before that when the investment is likely to create
12 social good, but it's unclear how or who is going to
13 get it, we kind of look to the government that's what
14 the government does is look out for everybody.

15 In the present environment, it's really
16 tough and, you know, we're basically in a scenario
17 where if anybody wants to propose funding for
18 anything, you got to show how you're going to pay for
19 it by cutting somewhere else.

20 Now, you know, one exception to that is if
21 we fund spectrum auctions because the auctions
22 generate the revenue themselves. So you don't have

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1 to find some other way to pay for that, that's what

2 pays the agencies to relocate out of their bands or
3 to prepare to share the bands is the auction
4 proceeds.

5 When we talk about unlicensed, we throw
6 that out the window because unlicensed isn't creating
7 revenues. Unlicensed might generate the same amount
8 of social benefit including Treasury revenues because
9 companies get profitable and pay taxes and all that.
10 But from a legislative budget perspective, it doesn't
11 count the same. And the (noise) policy and the
12 budget environment is such that we've got to make
13 tough choices like that, but we really should do it
14 with our eyes open. And, you know, from my
15 perspective, you know, when we talk about let's say
16 wave technology, you know, that would be a wonderful
17 place to go pursue it. But in the budget, you know,
18 environment, it's like, all right, how do we pay for
19 the next, you know, 10 million, 50 million of
20 research. It's got to come from somewhere else.
21 That's kind of the environment we're in, which is big
22 stuff.

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1 MR. GORENBERG: This is definitely throw
2 in a friend time. So, (off mic) may have a good
3 answer for us.

4 PARTICIPANT: (Off microphone.) All on
5 the website so you can see what's going on. And I
6 think it's actually fairly substantial investment and
7 military recognizes the importance of this as well.

8 MR. SUBRAMANIAN: Thank you.

9 So I think it's also, let's have some
10 wrap-up comments from the panelists.

11 What do you think is the key take away of
12 recommendations of interest to you from the
13 workshop today from the (off mic)? This time for
14 Mark.

15 MR. GORENBERG: Well, I plan to learn a
16 lot. The reason why I came here today was to learn a
17 lot about what's going on. And we have, you know,
18 there's a great panel coming up on key projects.
19 They're going on. And then also the demo that will
20 be going on and then, of course, the conversation.
21 So I think it's just a great time for the evolution
22 of innovation.

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1 MR. SUBRAMANIAN: Thank you. Dale?

2 MR. HATFIELD: I can't add anything to
3 that.

4 MR. POWER: I would agree, because the
5 work groups and events like this is just essential
6 and you know, it's not going to be on the front page
7 of (off mic) but essential to what we're doing.

8 You never know.

9 (Laughter.)

10 MR. SUBRAMANIAN: Thank you so much.

11 Please.

12 (Applause.)

13 MR. BARKER: (Off mic) Special thanks to

14 our keynote panelists. And it's really great for you
 15 guys to take time away. FCC was supposed to be on
 16 (outside noise) she couldn't make it because of the
 17 That and trying to make up time. What
 18 we're going to do is we were supposed to have a
 19 15-minute break, so we're going to cut it to ten to
 20 try to get some time back. So if we could get
 21 everybody back here at 10:40, that would be great and
 22 we'll start off with our second group.

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1 Thanks
 2 (Whereupon, at 10:30 a.m., a brief recess
 3 was taken.)
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7 (10:50 a.m.)
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9 MR. BARKER: If we could take our seats so
 10 we can start our second panel here, the projects
 11 panel.

12 I would like to introduce Peter Tenhula,
 13 from NTIA. He's our principle spectrum advisor to
 14 our Assistant Secretary Strickland and he also serves
 15 as a principle advisors to the ITS.

16 Peter prior to coming to NTIA was with
 17 Shared Spectrum Company where he served as the vice
 18 president and chief counsel for the company. And
 19 during that time he also served at the Wireless

20 Innovation Forum -- where he served on the Board of
21 Forum and also was the chairperson for their
22 regulatory committee.

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1 Prior to that he served for about 15 years
2 in FCC in various positions from chief counsel to
3 chairman Mr. Powell -- Michael Powell and he also, I
4 guess, one of the biggest positions or opportunities
5 is when he served as the director of the Spectrum
6 Policy Task Force. So I'd like to welcome Peter.

7 MR. TENHULA: All right. Thank you,
8 Byron.

9 Byron did mention that like Tom, I am a
10 liar.

11 (Laughter.)

12 MR. TENHULA: And a lawyer.

13 (Laughter.)

14 MR. TENHULA: So I'm going to fake it with
15 all these great technical experts up here for this
16 panel on key projects involving the spectrum data and
17 spectrum onframe that are currently going on.

18 So we've got a great panel and without
19 further ado I'm going to introduce them. But before
20 I do is quick about the format. We're going to try
21 to do a -- we don't have much time. We have about
22 six minutes -- six to eight minutes each for each of

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1 the panelists.

2 Can you hear me out there?

3 (Chorus of no.)

4 MR. TENHULA: How about now?

5 (Chorus of yes.)

6 MR. TENHULA: Like I said, I'm a liar.

7 (Laughter.)

8 MR. TENHULA: I don't want a microphone

9 on.

10 (Laughter.)

11 MR. TENHULA: So this is our batting order

12 for our panelists today. About six to eight minutes

13 each for kind of presentations, opening remarks.

14 There are plenty of slides. They're all on that

15 website too along with their bios. And I'm going to

16 go ahead and instead of intros, just a few lines of

17 their bios.

18 If they're able to get their (and)

19 presentation and find that will allow us for some Q&A

20 focused on the particular presentations. If not,

21 we're going to just move to the next panelist and

22 have plenty of time, hopefully for Q&A before you

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1 break for lunch.

2 Most, I think, all except for one are

3 having demos or exhibits during lunch, so part of

4 this is to not only talk about their project, to talk

5 about what -- provide a preview of what you're going

6 to see in the exhibit space.

7 So a quick introduction for each. The
8 first presenter we're going to go along the lines
9 here is Jesse Caulfield from Key Bridge, which he
10 founded in 2001. Prior to Key Bridge Jesse led the
11 research development and service delivery efforts for
12 Sysco System, Intel Sat, Comcast Cable, and American
13 Tower Corp.

14 Next is my colleague from NTIA, Mike
15 Cotton. He's actually out in Boulder at the
16 Institute for Telecommunication Sciences where he is
17 in the telecommunications vision and has been there
18 for about 22 years; right out of college, right,
19 Mike?

20 MR. COTTON: Uh-huh.

21 MR. TENHULA: In the meantime he also got
22 his MS in electrical engineering at University of

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1 Colorado, Boulder in 1999.

2 So he's been there since 1992.

3 Next after Mike is Anoop Gupta from
4 Microsoft. He's worked at Microsoft for over 13
5 years. Currently managing the development team for
6 Microsoft's Technology Policy Group.

7 Previously he was an architect for OEM
8 Consulting Services and a senior consultant for
9 Microsoft Consulting and a developer of Microsoft
10 Office and Windows. So if you have any questions
11 about that, you can probably ask (off mic)

12 (Laughter.)

13 MR. TENHULA: Dennis Roberson is next.
14 He's the Vice Provost and research professor in
15 computer science at Illinois Institute of Technology
16 in Chicago. He is the cofounder of IIT's Wireless
17 Network and Communications Research Center and also
18 the President and CEO of Roberson and Associates.
19 And he serves as the Chair of the FCC's Technological
20 Advisory Council and serves on NTIA's Commerce
21 Spectrum Management Advisory Committee and has no
22 spare time.

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1 (Laughter.)

2 MR. TENHULA: Prior to Illinois Institute
3 of Technology, he was executive vice president and
4 CEO of Motorola startup in Chicago.

5 (Laughter.)

6 MR. TENHULA: Dr. Marja Matimikko --
7 sorry about that. I'm ashamed I can't pronounce or
8 finish her name because my grandfather would be
9 embarrassed by that. I hope it's close.

10 But Dr. Marja, I'm going to say, hails
11 from the VTT Technical Research Center in Finland.
12 And is a senior scientist there. She received her
13 master's degree and a Doctor of Science degree in
14 telecommunications and engineering from the
15 University of Oulu.

16 My grandfather would kill me.

17 (Laughter.)

18 MR. TENHULA: So, next is Georg Schone,
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19 coming from Germany where he's been a
20 radiocommunications expert with more than 25 years'
21 experience in all kinds of telecom, radio telecom
22 stuff. He has been a member of -- he's a member of

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1 the Board and CTO for LS Telcom AG in Germany and
2 since 2012, Board member of the U.S. entity LS
3 Telcom, which is in Bowie, Maryland, right up the
4 street.

5 Okay. So I've asked each of the panelists
6 to give us five or so minutes of opening comments and
7 slides and presentation about the themes of the
8 workshop today. We are focusing on this panel on the
9 specific monitoring and database projects that the
10 panelists are leading or involved in or studying very
11 closely.

12 So, without further ado, I'll turn it over
13 to Jesse and we'll go down the line. Do you have the
14 clicker?

15 MR. CAULFIELD: Yes.

16 Good morning. My name is Jesse Caulfield
17 and I'm the President of Key Bridge Global. Most of
18 you probably know us as one of the certified vice
19 base database administrators here in the United
20 States. We offer and operate two versions of a
21 whitespace portal. The whitespace portal -- the
22 community whitespace portal is a free portal which we

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1 offer as a part of the undertaking for our -- as a
2 whitespace database administrator. We also have an
3 enterprise version which is essentially a supped up
4 version of the former which is particularly popular
5 with users who have very complex radio environments
6 and need to register those for protection.

7 The reason why I bring that up is one of
8 the things that we did when we built our portal was
9 we started with a set of APIs. We started with a
10 database, then we wrapped a set of APIs on the engine
11 essentially to run a whitespace database on top of
12 that and then we used those APIs to build our portal.
13 And that's the approach that we've taken from the
14 very beginning. Start with the data, build an API,
15 and then build a really nice user-interface on top of
16 that.

17 This API we offer -- or rather is used for
18 a number of carrier resources. For example, we've
19 built some whitespace client software that accesses
20 our APIs, the spectrum data or rather the data
21 itself, and then in addition to the whitespace one of
22 the things essentially a separate development that we

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1 had undertaken in parallel with the whitespace
2 database was spectrum monitoring partially to
3 characterize the whitespace spectrum for the benefit
4 of the new unlicensed users who could get essentially

5 two versions of reality. One version was what the
6 database saw, which is essentially a binary --
7 there's something in the band, or there is not. And
8 then there's the empirical evidence that there is
9 something in the band and it may not be suitable for
10 use even though it may be legal for an unlicensed
11 operation.

12 So, very early on we recognized that while
13 whitespace may be available for use, it may not be
14 suitable for use. And we decided to develop -- start
15 developing a spectrum monitor solution to
16 characterize that spectrum for the benefit of our
17 users, both licensed and unlicensed.

18 The licensed users want to know if an
19 unlicensed user is perhaps encroaching or -- and the
20 unlicensed users want to know, for example, if the
21 licensed spectrum stops at the border or doesn't.

22 We offer this as a series of data, raw

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1 data and database. We have a fairly substantial
2 database matched in the whitespaces by our peers, the
3 other database administrators, and we also pull in
4 unlicensed transmitters wherever we can find them.
5 We try to characterize those as well, not only in the
6 whitespaces, but in essentially every band that we
7 can address.

8 We also have databases of profiles for the
9 benefit of our users for their own network modeling,
10 tower sites which are, for the most part, available

11 from vendors as well as government sources.

12 A little bit of cloud for marketing
13 purposes.

14 (Laughter.)

15 MR. CAULFIELD: Everything is in the
16 cloud.

17 Part of the API that we found is
18 especially interesting is providing visualization.
19 And that's essentially taking this data which is
20 primarily -- for the most part geo-located or
21 geo-tagged and allowing our users to map it. Right.
22 You can take in a lot of information very quickly

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1 when you map that information.

2 So at its core, mapping is -- mapping in
3 geo-location or geo-tagging is integrated at a very
4 low level into the data, into the databases
5 themselves into the APIs, into the query mechanisms
6 into the APIs as well. So you can start with the
7 frequency, you can start with the location, you can
8 start with a general area to query the database to
9 look for that information. And then you can
10 visualize depending on the user interface, you can
11 either collect that information in a (inaudible)
12 format according to your great parameter, so you can
13 visualize it using our mapping.

14 And then modeling. So I mentioned earlier
15 the database and the empirical versions of reality.
16 So we have developed and incorporated into our API

17 set a series of (noise) models. You've probably seen
18 these pretty maps where these pretty keyed maps. We
19 have a series of algorithms where we take empirical
20 data and we match it against predictive models and we
21 use that to essentially autocorrelate and correct the
22 path -- the area of Pavlos models to increase the

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1 precision, I guess you could say -- well, not
2 precision, increase the accuracy as much as we can.
3 And here are a couple of examples. Urban
4 environments, some rural environments, these are some
5 pretty heat loss maps. Most of you have seen these
6 so I don't want to take too much time to explain
7 them. But the concept here is, you can take some
8 statistical point, some empirical measurements, and
9 that will essentially allow you to adjust the
10 topology of your Palov's to improve the (off mic).

11 Some mapping. These are some pretty
12 screen shots taken from our whitespace database.
13 What you see here are point sources, so these are
14 transmitters. The lower right-hand corner is a
15 public safety network in Los Angeles. You can see
16 there are quite a few notes there.

17 What we're showing here are the protected
18 service areas. What we are not showing here are the
19 overlays of the predicted as well as the empirical
20 ratio propagation. But the two -- taken together the
21 two are very important.

22 And here's a pretty print of a waterfall

1 chart. You've seen this before. This is sort of the
2 meat of why -- or the substance of why I'm here.
3 What we've done is we've taken this spectrum
4 monitoring solution and we've integrated it into our
5 databases. So, for example, we've taken the peak
6 detection algorithm since we know where the sensors
7 are, we correlate those with known transmitters. And
8 when we don't know where the transmitter is, or
9 rather when we don't know what the transmitter is,
10 we've identified something, an unknown point source,
11 and we can typically correlate it to some geographic
12 area and identify the general geographic area of what
13 those are depending on essentially the constellation
14 of sensors.

15 Another interesting point here is in the
16 lower right-hand corner you see the waterfall chart.
17 This is a graphical output of the raw data. Now, we
18 store the raw data. And for our interests and our
19 customers, they're primarily interested in just is
20 the channel -- is there energy in the band or not?
21 But we actually store all of the data.

22 Now, our focus is on the sensor, we're at

1 very low cost sensors and data collection and data
2 storage. And not necessarily on sophisticated
3 analysis of the data. And for that reason, that's

4 the exact reason why we surface all of that data to
5 our users through an API so that they can either
6 download the data in bulk and crunch it on their own
7 workstations or work with us to integrate some
8 algorithms on the server side and we can crunch it
9 for them. And that's what I would like to talk to
10 you about at the demo.

11 There are a couple of other slides here,
12 but they're really more relevant to whitespaces. So
13 I'll go ahead and end it here and answer any
14 questions you may have.

15 MR. TENHULA: We don't have time for any
16 questions unless one of the fellow panelists would
17 like to quiz Jesse on anything or we can hold
18 questions until the the end.

19 PARTICIPANT: We have one interruption.
20 We lost the video for the webcasting. We just need
21 to reboot it. It will just take a minute, but we
22 need to stop for a minute for them to do it so that

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1 it doesn't interfere with the slides.

2 MR. TENHULA: Okay.

3 PARTICIPANT: So I asked them to do it
4 between speakers. So, Mike, if you don't mind.

5 MR. COTTON: Uh-huh.

6 (Pause to reboot the system.)

7 MR. TENHULA: In the meantime, for a
8 bonus, for all of you who have taken the time and
9 effort to be here, any questions for Jesse real

10 quick?

11 PARTICIPANT: Just curious, what are the
12 general frequencies that you've been covering with
13 your monitoring so far?

14 MR. CAULFIELD: That's a good question.
15 So we've been monitoring to date, 50 to -- 50
16 megahertz -- I'm sorry, 50 kilohertz to 2.5 gig. And
17 that's -- I can go into it later in the session, but
18 what we've really focused on is low-cost sensors and
19 essentially the economic threshold that we found was
20 below 3 gigahertz the sensors are fairly affordable
21 and we found a really great partner to manufacture
22 those for us. We do support -- so we do support

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1 bring your own device. You know, our client and our
2 database is essentially spectrum agnostic. It can
3 store the data in however much data you want to put
4 into it.

5 But from our collection perspective that's
6 the sensor that we've felt so far or that we've been
7 using.

8 MR. SUBRAMANIAN: What's the coverage of
9 sensors? How much coverage does it have how many
10 sensors?

11 MR. CAULFIELD: It's propagation. It
12 depends on --

13 So the question was, what's the coverage
14 area? What's the use of a coverage area of a sensor?
15 And it's really propagation.

16 MR. SUBRAMANIAN: How many sensors is it?

17 MR. CAULFIELD: Sorry?

18 MR. SUBRAMANIAN: How many sensors --

19 MR. CAULFIELD: The sensors right now are
20 at customer locations. We operate a three node
21 network here in the Washington, D.C. network as a
22 demo network.

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1 MR. TENHULA: Okay. We're going to move
2 on to Mike Cotton. For those online, we appreciate
3 your patience. We had to reboot the system, but we
4 are back up. Unfortunately the camera is not working
5 right now. But I think you can see the slides. I
6 hope you can see the slides. So there's about 15 or
7 so online. So welcome you to our continuation of our
8 panel. And next will be Mike Cotton.

9 MR. COTTON: Hi, I'm here to talk about
10 NTIA's spectrum monitoring project that we're just
11 about to give up here. You know, we're really
12 excited about the project. We're hoping that will
13 contribute in all the focus areas that we're going to
14 work on over the course of today.

15 So, just a quick outline. I want to talk
16 about sort of our current mode of operation in terms
17 of how we make spectrum measurements. And then I
18 want to -- you know, that's kind of a situation or a
19 system that works for us right now. For everything
20 that we look to do and then I want to talk about sort
21 of catalyst for change and why we're moving in the

22 direction we are with this new project that came in

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1 the form of a budget initiative that didn't get
2 passed in the last budget, but NTIA leadership has
3 decided to put some money towards this project this
4 fiscal year.

5 So ITS' current mode of operation, you
6 know, we've been doing these spectrum measurements
7 for a long time, really since the 1970s. We started
8 out focusing on federal agencies that were acquiring
9 LMAR bands quickly and people asked us to kind of
10 keep them honest on whether or not they were using
11 them or not.

12 So, since the 1970s we've had this program
13 that's called the radio spectrum measurement system
14 program and we've developed a whole suite of
15 capabilities and hardware setups to basically go out
16 and do broadband spectrum surveys from 100 megahertz
17 up to 20 gigahertz. So we'll load up this van with
18 the measurement equipment that's shown in the upper
19 right-hand corner and we'll set out and do a band by
20 band sweep where detections, schemes, antennas,
21 preselected designs are all set up optimally for the
22 services that we're measuring each band.

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1 Okay. So this is obviously overdone for

2 today's thing. But I just wanted to mention that
3 this is something that we roll out and it suits all
4 of our needs. It's big, it's expensive, but, you
5 know, we're kind of recognizing that it's a little
6 bit overdone. So recently we've been putting more
7 focus on sort of more streamlined systems where we go
8 out and focus on particular bands. Like last year we
9 worked on characterizing that 1.8 gigahertz band.
10 The year before that we made an effort to go out and
11 characterize the 3.6 gigahertz band. And, you know,
12 this work, we do, do a lot of the -- we do have the
13 mathematicians and the physicists to kind of come
14 together and do a lot of the theoretical framework
15 development that's needed to be done in these areas.
16 And, so we do take a little bit of time.

17 I guess my point is, there is a latency --
18 significant latency in our mode of operation now
19 where we make the measurements. An engineer gets the
20 data, processes it, writes it up, and at a minimum
21 it's like a six-month delay for data. So that's one
22 of the big things that we're trying to change with

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1 this new project that we're basically trying to
2 automate all that and pump out the data to users on a
3 more shorter timeline.

4 So the catalyst for change, as I
5 mentioned, Tom mentioned this earlier today too,
6 there was a Congressional budget initiative from NTIA
7 that made it all the way to the last budget vote and

8 didn't make it in there. It was for two years, 7.5
9 million. But we turned it around. We do have
10 funding this year for a million and a half. It
11 started two weeks ago. So we had six months to work
12 that project and make as much progress as we can.

13 Again, we're really excited about that.

14 So one of the things that came out on the
15 budget initiative plan is that we put out an NOI in
16 August and, you know, we've had a lot of feedback
17 from panelists here on the table so it establishes
18 some context.

19 I'm going to just leave this as items on
20 the slide for people to look at. But basically there
21 are objectives to monitor spectrum real time and make
22 that data available. And then basically after two

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1 years assess whether or not we want to have that as a
2 long-term plan. So there's going to be kind of a
3 strategic decisionmaking process about what this
4 project can provide for us.

5 Now, this venue here, I mean, this is a
6 great turnout. I'm really excited to just see what
7 kind of feedback we get from the people in this room.
8 We also had a whole number of collaboration tasks on
9 here. The plan is, is to allow for other sensors to
10 put data into the database just like Jesse mentioned,
11 and also have an API in the output so people can take
12 that data and get to it.

13 But we're going to take some care and make

14 sure that a lot of the sensitive spectrum issues are
15 taken care of so only authorized people can take a
16 look at that.

17 So the basic development tasks that were
18 put out in the NOI were develop a centralized
19 database, develop prototype sensors to measure
20 particular spectrum bands, particular bands, and to
21 establish a network of ten sensors in ten
22 metropolitan areas to collect data. So that's to be

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1 done in about ten years.

2 In that NOI really there weren't a lot of
3 specifics, so once we decided to actually pull off
4 this project, we had to kind of make some decisions
5 about how we were going to narrow the scope in order
6 to implement to get real practical deliverables at
7 the end of this year.

8 So this is the project plan that we came
9 up with. This is how we kind of narrowed the scope.
10 I mean, the first thing, and that's the biggest
11 thing, is that we need to focus on is the quicker
12 output of the data. So we're going to design this
13 database. I should actually take a second to mention
14 that we have a new collaboration with NISS, the
15 information technology laboratory which has been
16 great. I mean, we're very much on the RF side of
17 things, so we're developing the database, we're
18 really going to lean on these guys to help us out and
19 develop that part of this project with best practice.

20 So it's been a very nice collaboration so
21 far even though it's only been for a short time.
22 The other thing -- significant thing that

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1 we need to do is we need to basically replace that
2 \$80,000 center piece of our measuring system, that's
3 the one single box, with one of these CoT Sensors
4 that we're going to move next door to take a look at
5 during the break.

6 So, for us, you know, we understand that
7 at we -- you know, we've been working with the
8 spectrum analyzer for 35 years and we really know
9 that system. We know the dynamic ranges, we know how
10 to move that up and down to measure certain levels
11 whether it's low levels or high levels. And so we
12 really need to understand and evaluate those boxes.
13 And just for the procurement process, the government
14 procurements process, we need a matrix of
15 capabilities versus costs to say, okay, we need this
16 type of sensor for this application. We need to buy
17 ten of them, so these three are best, here's the
18 lowest cost, procure. So that's what we're going to
19 do for our second item.

20 Then we're going to design prototypes this
21 year for radar spectrum and also for LTE. Just we
22 think that those are going to involve COTS sensors

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1 from two different price points, and so we're going
2 to develop those two price point COTS sensors into
3 our system.

4 And finally, we're just going to go for
5 end-to-end functionality where the sensor is pushing
6 data to the database and is making available to
7 authorized users.

8 This is basically what it's going to look
9 like. The sensors are out in the field, and come in
10 over the IP network, they're ingested into the
11 database and made available to authorized users.

12 MR. TENHULA: You're going to have to wrap
13 up.

14 MR. COTTON: Okay. So we have just
15 initial thoughts. That was for fiscal year '14. I
16 think those were ambitious points. The thoughts for
17 fiscal year '15 are the ten sensors that we would
18 like to deploy are sensors to monitor 3.6 gigahertz
19 spanned along the East and West Coast and the Gulf
20 Coast.

21 And that's my contact info and references.

22 MR. TENHULA: All right. Thank you.

1 We're going to move on to Anoop.

2 MR. GUPTA: Hi. My name is Anoop Gupta.
3 I lead the technology policy group for Microsoft.

4 One of the projects coming out of my group
5 is the Microsoft Spectrum Observatory. That goal to
6 have this project is to collect data and disseminate

7 it for spectrum data and disseminate it to various
8 parties that include researchers, academics,
9 government, and industry as well.

10 The goal is that -- the reason we have
11 this goal is that we feel that the more data people
12 have to base their decisions on the more likely --
13 the better those decisions will be. And by making
14 sure that all the data is publicly available it also
15 allows some discourse on most all those parts.

16 This here is a snapshot of just what we
17 have in place today. The site is wide, it's been
18 wide for about a year and a half, two years. And we
19 have -- in the past we were running stations
20 ourselves and we had about four -- four wide. We
21 currently have a few more and our -- actually have
22 this, the robots spectrum R efficient, so it's not

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1 just U.S. based, but international as well.

2 In the past year we have been working on
3 lowering the cost of our solution so that way we
4 could get more and more of these stations up around
5 the world. We recently got the support for stations
6 that we can basically roll out for \$105,000 a piece.
7 This includes using lower-cost system RF sensors like
8 RFI and USRP Radios. And you will see both of those
9 in the demonstration over here.

10 And we've got a mobile solution using USRP
11 stations as well.

12 The architecture of the system is similar

13 to one that has been talked about by these two
14 gentlemen on my right here. The idea is that we have
15 basically a PC attached to an RF sensor that has
16 network -- Internet access as well. We constantly
17 monitor the spectrum hardware from 50 megahertz all
18 the way up to 60 megahertz today. The type of
19 hardware that we have in there, we're open to pretty
20 much any kind of hardware, but we currently support
21 USRP Radios and RFI.

22 There's also -- by having a PC attached to

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1 these RF sensors, there's also the ability to do a
2 lot of a preprocessing on the data before we upload
3 it. One of the key issues that we have with the
4 solutions that we've come up with in the past is that
5 there's a limit to how much data we can upload to a
6 central repository. Right now we upload about one
7 minute level data so you can estimate an average
8 without a (off mic) granularity. In the future we
9 would like to go to about 5 degree second data, but
10 that will start to push the amount of throughput that
11 we have to the PCs.

12 You also have to remember some of the PCs
13 we're talking about are located in places like Africa
14 where the Internet connectivity is not as good as it
15 is in other countries.

16 One of our co-events has been around the
17 openness and collaboration. As part of this, as of
18 today, we went totally open source. All the source

19 code, including our portal and our RF sensor scanning
20 code, is available under Apache. So it's open for
21 anyone to see at this point. And we're welcoming
22 collaborators.

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1 What can this be used for? Some of the
2 comments to what this can be used for, Jesse kind of
3 pointed to some uses that he's been going down the
4 path with. But we're open to other types of uses.
5 We've been working with academics at MIT, University
6 of Washington, UCSB and Rice and we're starting
7 abroad and actually look for more partners in that
8 space. We're also looking for partners in regulatory
9 -- regulatory interface as well as industry. So it's
10 not as though we want to go this alone and that we're
11 looking for one specific use case out of this. The
12 goal was to make this something that can be reused
13 for the various different potential solutions.

14 This is an example, DSA would be one.
15 Jesse actually pointed to this. This solution is
16 going down this path a little bit more in terms of
17 having kind of a database that actually gives you
18 more feedback than just a propagation model would and
19 be able to do more than we would have to --

20 MR. TENHULA: All right. We actually have
21 some time if the fellow panelists would like to ask
22 Anoop about his presentation or any questions first

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1 I'll open that up. And then anybody in the audience
2 questions for Anoop while we have his slides coupled.
3 Anybody?

4 (No response.)

5 MR. TENHULA: Okay. That will give us
6 more time at the end. We're going to move on to
7 Dennis Roberson.

8 MR. ROBERSON: Good morning. I decided to
9 add a little energy into this (off mic) as well as by
10 standing up. I'll be sharing with you really a few
11 family pictures. This is at least sort of how I view
12 this. We've been at this for a good long time.

13 How many of you are already familiar with
14 IIT's spectrum observatory.

15 (Showing of hands.)

16 MR. ROBERSON: Okay. Then we don't need
17 the presentation.

18 (Laughter.)

19 MR. ROBERSON: We'll just enjoy the family
20 pictures. Can you hear me in the back?

21 (Chorus of no.)

22 MR. ROBERSON: No. So this --

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1 Okay. Good, so onward.

2 This is the backdrop of our spectrum
3 observatory. Some years ago we actually coined this
4 term, "Spectrum Observatory". I always favored

5 "listening post" but somehow --

6 (Laughter.)

7 MR. ROBERSON: -- we ended up with
8 spectrum observatory. The initial spectrum
9 observatory is on the top of a 22-story building on
10 the campus of Illinois Institute of Technology. And
11 this is what you see, the skyline of Chicago and that
12 was our focus for the spectrum observatory. It gave
13 us a great opportunity, unobstructed view of that
14 environment.

15 What we'll talk about today is a little
16 bit of the history, to observations, our current work
17 and why it's important. The project history, again,
18 so many of you are familiar with what we've done. I
19 won't spend very much time on this, but we did start
20 out in 2007, this is National Science Foundation
21 funded program from the get-go and right through. So
22 it's been a terrific thank you and a great

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1 opportunity to talk about it in this building. Our
2 partner who is Shared Spectrum Corporation. They had
3 done a lot of snapshot studies and really gave us an
4 enormous helping hand in getting started. We jumped
5 in at the 30 megahertz to six gigahertz, you, we felt
6 that was the relevant and important spectrum, so that
7 was the area that we focused on. And you can see
8 some of the -- again, family pictures of folks doing
9 the work, setting things up in our location. But
10 this has been a significant effort for that period of

11 time. And actually we've collected data throughout.
12 The important part, we quickly found,
13 though, was that one nice solution was not
14 appropriate. One size does not fit all. So we
15 started expanding into different realms and
16 collecting different sensors, the Rockwell Collins
17 sensor, let's see, RFI, CRFS, have become a partner
18 with this. USRPs are also a key component of the
19 system as already has been mentioned is these parts.
20 All of the providers are here, I think. So you'll
21 have an opportunity to see some of the things that
22 are done. At multiple sites, as we've moved, not just

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1 multiple sensors with multiple ranges, folks have got
2 specific things like LR systems, but also multiple
3 sites and this is continuing to evolve.

4 These are the basic sensors and the kinds
5 of things, the waterfall charts, and getting down to
6 details. This is one of our showoff pictures --
7 well, this one was a 3 kilohertz, but we carried on
8 down to even finer resolution bandwidths, you see the
9 size resistance there.

10 Some of the locations, the top of the
11 tower, running for seven years. The harbor point on
12 the east side of Chicago running for a couple of
13 years now. And then a shout out to Motorola who have
14 lent us their lab on wheels that we've taken many
15 snapshot studies around Chicago so that we can take a
16 look in our last run, north, east, south, west of

17 Chi cago.
18 The observations -- this is where the
19 family pictures really come in and this is also where
20 the caveats come in. Somehow this is -- we've got
21 some funny things here, but this is particularly for
22 Preston.

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1 When we are doing spectrum occupancy, this
2 is energy detection. We establish a noise threshold,
3 whatever is above that threshold. There's something
4 there, if it's below the threshold it's not there.
5 The caveats which -- some of which disappeared below
6 the screen. Low power signals, you often don't see
7 distant signals, shadowing, all sorts of things that
8 come in that can limit what you're actually seeing.
9 So sometimes when we talk about the 10 percent or 20
10 percent occupancy people go crazy, and they should,
11 because there are things that we don't necessarily
12 see, and that's why we use so many sensors.

13 Family pictures, the transition for visual
14 television, the opportunity to see things like the
15 movement of this. We can see it highlighted, the 700
16 megahertz. The video that some number of you have
17 probably seen our U-Tube video. It shows the
18 transition over a period of three years or 700
19 megahertz, the opportunity to see things both with
20 consistent usage over time and the special usages in
21 holiday seasons.

22 One of our favorite pictures, the Chi cago

1 snow storm in 2011 where you can see the change in
2 usage for LMR versus the commercial users and the
3 highlight of the opportunity to share spectrum in
4 specific areas.

5 Current work, a number of studies that are
6 going on, observation studies, that is a radar, one
7 that we're doing together with my colleague who will
8 be speaking next and across the world.

9 And then the key importance of all of
10 this, we've already spoken to this from the other
11 groups --spectrum sharing. But the whole second item
12 is this opportunity to see human activity, use in
13 policymaking operations, and an interference in
14 enforcement that we'll be talking about.

15 That's it.

16 MR. TENHULA: Thank you, Dennis.

17 All right. We're going to move on to some
18 international flavor. And Marja.

19 MS. MATINMIKKO: Good morning, everybody.
20 I'm Marja Matinmikko and I come from Finland research
21 center in Finland.

22 I am really happy to be here and I'm

1 thankful for the invitation.

2 I already this morning I learned a lot about
3 U.S. situation.

4 A situation (off mic) number of countries,
5 we have a lot of neighboring countries, so the
6 situation is more complicated than here. But I'm
7 very happy to see that there's a lot of (off mic) .
8 I think in Europe we can learn a lot from what is
9 happening here.

10 So we can expect to (off mic) measurement.
11 U.S. collaboration program. We also have spectrum
12 measurement ongoing in Finland.

13 And in Europe, the European workshop in
14 January we can expect (off mic) measurements. And
15 there they expressed quite cautious view about how
16 spectrum occupies the measurements could help
17 regulators. And we have to know that these
18 measurements could be used for multiple purposes.
19 And I think the idea of the workshop and the
20 regulators was to focus on how measurements can help
21 regulators. (Accent and off microphone).

22 There are also other applications

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1 So now you will find the presentations of
2 the workshop in the web, so you can go and check the
3 Europeans' work.

4 Message from European regulators there is
5 no problem in making(off mic)

6 (Coughing)....

7 MS. MATINMIKKO: So this is a kind of
8 summary of what is happening in Europe. I think
9 there will be some kind of follow up for this

10 workshop, but I don't know about the details yet,
11 what would happen after this.

12 Then other things about spectrum sharing.
13 So there are a lot of activities unrolling on
14 spectrum sharing models and methodologies all over
15 the world. The U.S. approaches (off mic) but also in
16 Europe there are many (off mic) categories for
17 spectrum sharing. Collective use of spectrum (off
18 mic) and then the other one is LSA and the license
19 which is now promoted by the European Commission.
20 They (off mic) before that came out last year. And
21 the idea in this LSA approach is to allow additional
22 authorized licensed users of bands (off mic) or where

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1 there's some kind of incoming spectrum. So it would
2 be a kind of controlled spectrum sharing with
3 licensing agreements. And most proper be this kind
4 of (off mic) use of databases.

5 So LSA is a kind of hot topic right now in
6 Europe, in research, in regulations . They have
7 already started to study this. They have (off mic)
8 about this LSA. It is now coming out of the system
9 about how to use LSA concept specifically in the two
10 to three -- two to four band. (off mic)
11 communication networks to share with other incumbent.

12 But Europe is a quite complicated place.
13 We all have national regulators that decide what
14 systems are to be used, the different bands. For
15 example, the two to three, two to four band incumbent

16 uses quite different than other country. In Finland
17 we have PMSE servers, cameras, but in other European
18 countries other places there are different users. So
19 it's a kind of some kind of harmonized tool because
20 the market size 100 Euros is still quite more, so we
21 need some kind of harmonization at some level.

22 So here is a picture of LSA. For example,

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1 of LSA, case of LSA where a whole lot of operators
2 who share spectrum with incumbents and PMSE systems.

3 And in Finland we have (off mic) we made
4 the world's first (off mic)

5 And later this week we will show the (off
6 mic).

7 So the basic idea here is that there is a
8 need for some additional mechanisms, some kind of
9 database where you have information about the (off
10 mic) that could be used on a shared basis.

11 And then there needs to be some kind of
12 controller unit for the mobile operators to entrust
13 their -- reconfigure their network to operate
14 according to this

15 But we will show them it's doable. But,
16 office, it depends a lot upon what the incumbents and
17 then how to protect their system that's an open
18 question. It's not easy.

19 So some final remarks. Regulators, they
20 have (off mic) about what spectrum (off mic) spectrum
21 access.

22 Then question for me to specifically is

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1 looking to in our research when I do this LSA, they
2 share it now. It's the hope (off mic) in Europe.
3 And then the question is how the spectrum
4 measurements could help when this kind of flies into
5 the sharing. Did you have the same question here
6 when you were -- how spectrum measurement could help
7 in this sharing.

8 And I think that's an open question and in
9 Europe so far it has not been discussed. There are a
10 lot of opportunities for that. For example, the
11 interference considerations, how to divide the (off
12 mic) for sharing, how to protect the act. The LSA
13 reported it starts with the principle that you have
14 protect the incumbents that are there and then you
15 allow additional users who are also protected to some
16 degree. So it's the Spectrum measurements that will
17 help there. Be more than happy to get that on board.

18 MR. TENHULA: All right, thank you.
19 That's great. We don't have any time for particular
20 questions on this, but I'm sure we definitely will
21 come back to it. And I'll turn now to Georg.

22 MR. SCHONE: I think I will be also

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1 standing up. It's easier.

2 MR. TENHULA: Grab this. We call it the
3 Phil Donahue mike.

4 (Laughter.)

5 MR. SCHONE: So I hope everyone can hear
6 me. But this model looked better to me to speed it
7 up a little bit.

8 Chairman, Ladies and gentlemen, thank you
9 very much. My name is George Schone and I'm coming
10 from LS telecom Europe dealing with spectrum
11 management since quite some years. And I was asked
12 to give a little bit of an idea about the results of
13 business model behind databases and that is really a
14 questionable thing. And I will now --

15 Just to give you the first idea about it,
16 I made some snapshots from the whitespace database
17 and you can see here with low population density, low
18 communication density, you will find many available
19 channels for infrastructure for low power sites, much
20 easier there and you can use the whitespace. The
21 question is, allowed to use whitespace there?

22 If you go more in a place with more

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1 population density and quite some communications, not
2 too much, but still you see only a few channels
3 available. And if we frame our --

4 (Simultaneous conversation.)

5 MR. SCHONE: -- visit downtown, you see I
6 have more or less nothing available and I still have
7 to share with all the other plan users. And I am

8 always behind the ones who are in a higher level like
 9 you just tell me, a three-layer approach. And the
 10 whitespace devices on the lowest level, they are more
 11 or less (inaudible). So it's really questionable
 12 where this will at the end work out for (inaudible).
 13 There are some quite proper trials, but we have to
 14 understand we are currently in a scenario where we
 15 only have a few stations running. Here try, there
 16 try, they're a little bit of a network. But, that is
 17 not what we have, for example, in WiFi where we
 18 really have massive communication and it's very
 19 questionable. And therefore --

20 To give you a little bit of an idea about
 21 what are the differences now between what we have in
 22 U.S. versus the U.K. where the U.K. regulator are

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1 just now also starting a whitespace project, you see,
 2 you have on one hand the external communication we
 3 are talking about and you see here in different steps
 4 of what such a whitespace database has to perform and
 5 while in U.S. where is this approach of the database
 6 has been moved everything on its own and has to
 7 collect the data from the FCC, from the neighbor
 8 countries from the LDOPS operators. This is not the
 9 same for the U.K. In U.K. all this is delivered from
 10 the OPCOM. It sounds easy and it sounds as if it's
 11 good for a much more direct scenario. If we have a
 12 look here to a device communication there we see we
 13 have more or less everywhere the same here gray, all

14 this shows we have differences from any happening.
 15 And the difference happens in the propagation
 16 calculation in the analysis of scenarios. And there
 17 the U.K. model is far more complex than the U.S.
 18 model at least in the few of the (inaudible)
 19 environment where it is more precise. It is really
 20 approach taking into account the range building
 21 effects and so on. On the other hand, triangulation,
 22 it's massive vector of ten, it might be even more.

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1 On the other hand, they are not doing
 2 calculation so often. The U.S. is having an update
 3 frequency of 15 minutes for EMSD for LDOPs devices
 4 while the U.K. gets free hours. So the U.K. put a
 5 U.S. model will be much faster in reaction on the
 6 (inaudible) in very densely populated areas. We
 7 still have the hope, but for the U.K. model it might
 8 be identified more real whitespaces. But this will
 9 only show up once this model is rated

10 We have now to see how the future turns
 11 out. There are different models on the way. And the
 12 models will prove to be successful. But we have
 13 questions about a business model.

14 Thank you.

15 MR. TENHULA: Great. And I'd like to kind
 16 of start the questioning off. We've got about 20
 17 minutes for questions before we get to lunch and the
 18 demos.

19 The one that springs to mind presentation

20 they're often cost driven. What are the costs? And
21 you mentioned trying to get the costs down to below
22 \$5,000 per unit. And Mike mentioned we're starting

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1 at a baseline of about 80,000 per unit right now.
2 And don't think Jesse mentioned the cost issue (off
3 mic) and I've talked about it depends on the range of
4 costs.

5 Let me ask kind of the first four
6 presenters kind of how you see the tradeoffs between
7 the costs of a sensing device, you know, and then
8 it's networking components and feed it into the
9 network, you know whether backend database or for the
10 front end display, but also the -- how this, you
11 know, the end unit, the cost of that end unit drives
12 these things and how that potentially might present a
13 dilemma for the traditional spectrum analyzer
14 technology, some of which are demonstrating, I think,
15 at lunch as well, that, you know, typically sell very
16 expensive boxes. And they're very complex boxes.
17 Can you get us just quickly to summarize where
18 there's tradeoffs and kind of what we see as the kind
19 of key cost target points?

20 MR. CAULFIELD: We did a bit of research
21 on this early on, so I'll take a stab at it.

22 What we found is that there's --

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1 essentially there's debt function at about three
2 gigahertz. Now, this is a little -- maybe the data
3 is about a year old, so it may be a little bit out of
4 date. But, we found that sensors and detectors below
5 three gigahertz tend to range between two and five
6 times less than sensors and detectors that can range
7 above three gigahertz about. There's also a
8 difference in antenna kits. Two antenna kits are not
9 compatible. So you can get a wideband antenna kit
10 with relatively flat gain that can go up to two and a
11 half to three gigahertz. But you can't get one --
12 but you need an entirely separate antenna kit to
13 detect above that. So your antenna kit gets more
14 expensive if you're doing significant wideband
15 detection. So, from our product development
16 perspective, we essentially cut it off at three
17 gigahertz and developed our own internal product
18 because we needed a sensor that went up to three
19 gigahertz. Now, there's another economic threshold
20 which is what are you trying to measure, how much are
21 you trying to measure. And from what we found was if
22 you're actually trying to peak into the signal, you

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1 pay for that capability.

2 If you're simply trying to make an
3 accurate measurement of energy, you can save a lot of
4 money if that's what you're looking for. So if you
5 draw back and you sort of, I guess, place some
6 parameters or some boundaries on the amount of

7 information that you actually need to collect, you
8 can save a lot of money on the unit cost of the
9 device. And then what we tried to do is to make up
10 that functionality in software. So to varying
11 degrees of success, but those are the principle
12 economic thresholds that we found was a two to five X
13 increase in cost when you cross that threshold and
14 then a completely separate ... The \$5,000 range,
15 that's about accurate. We are looking at about
16 \$5,000 installed. So, you know, take that into --
17 you take that into account.

18 We have a completely different model
19 though, however. We don't sell the actual devices.
20 We sell the data. So, we lease the data, or rather
21 we lease access to the data and we run the devices.
22 So that was the marketing, the cloud slide that I

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1 went over with you.

2 MR. COTTON: Our initial investigations
3 really have found that those CoT sensor fall into
4 more or less four tiers. There's the laboratory
5 tier, that's greater than 50 gigs. There's a
6 midlevel tier that's somewhere from 10 to 30; then
7 there's a low-cost tier and an ultra-low-cost tier
8 that has to do -- that utilizes a lot of these
9 programmable chip sets.

10 And just like any product out there, I
11 think that there's a correlation between costs and RF
12 performance metrics.

13 Now, you know, we recognize that a lot of
14 the programmability that's offered in the lost cost
15 sensors can be used to basically enable some of the
16 capability that comes in the box of the high-end
17 sensors. And that's really what we're going to start
18 working towards is really trying to utilize some of
19 the programmability of those boxes.

20 That being said, there are some very
21 important RF metrics that need to be characterized,
22 one of which is the dynamic range of these ...

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1 dynamic range. And that basically gives you the
2 window to measure in. And the 3.6 gigahertz
3 scenario, for example, these transmitters are a
4 million watts of power. So you can't just stick some
5 limited range --limited dynamic range in there, but
6 you're going to smoke it.

7 (Laughter.)

8 MR. COTTON: I mean, we brought in the
9 \$80,000 box that we used out there and we cut it off
10 in frequency so that it was only coming in to the
11 co-channel band. We still had overloads, measured
12 overloads on there about a dozen times over the
13 course of about two weeks. So that's in taking good
14 care with a high-end box, we still encountered
15 overloads. So it's important to keep track of those
16 measurements.

17 MR. GUPTA: I think one thing you're going
18 to see over time is that the price of the RF sensors

19 is going to drop as, one, you get more volume out of
20 them and, two, like technology improves. But one of
21 our goals is eventually to have like a sub-\$1,000
22 scenario where we can enable it. And one of the big

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1 reasons and drivers behind that is that if you start
2 looking above the 3.5 gigahertz range, you're
3 starting to look at point to point communications and
4 number of sensors that you would need and number of
5 antennas that you would need to actually be able to
6 measure say by five years range is one every 15
7 years.

8 So in order to do a measurement in an area
9 like say, you know, take Tysons Corner, you may have
10 to actually set up an entire network, measure for a
11 period of a month, do some analysis on it and then
12 take that same investment in hardware and move it to
13 someplace else and do that same measurement unless
14 you would want to actually have that there
15 permanently ...

16 Then there's also the additional cost of
17 the actual database hosting where you're talking
18 about a lot of data if you're talking about the raw
19 data going up to these databases. So someone's got
20 to pay for that and so you have to have an investment
21 there. And I'm sure that Mike's looking at it right
22 now in terms of what that's does entail or include in

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1 our picture.

2 I've got something called Azure in my back
3 pocket. I think Mike mentioned that the last time we
4 had a call. It's a nice thing to have, but it
5 doesn't solve everything. So you've got to look at
6 the various components of the costs.

7 The general laborer, the basic hardware,
8 like the antenna, the cabling, those things aren't
9 going to change. It's the RF sensor and basically
10 the storage.

11 MR. ROBERSON: Actually, it's an extremely
12 complex question that you asked. As I'm sitting here
13 thinking about it, the sensor itself, at that level,
14 we have \$11 sensors. And we have \$80,000 sensors.
15 We have antenna systems that are \$175 that do go to
16 six gigahertz but they're omnidirectional and they're
17 not entirely even. And we have boxes that are very
18 specifically tuned to both directionally and to a
19 specific bandwidth. So the tricky part of this whole
20 question is, what is it that you want to see? Are
21 you interested in seeing broadband? Are you
22 interested in seeing time discrete elements like when

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1 we do our work with the folks in the public safety
2 arena with land mobile radio? If you want to see
3 discrete activity levels you have to be scanning at a
4 very, very fast rate. So there's always a trade-off

5 of do I want to spend a minute going through the
6 whole cycle or do I need to be there in subsecond
7 timeframe to be able to see discrete activity.

8 The other key element is this whole
9 business once you get through the sensors and the
10 filters on the front end and mask those high wattage
11 kinds of outputs like FM radio or television or those
12 kinds of things, once you've gotten through that side
13 then you have the whole cost of installation. I
14 painfully discovered actually as we worked with
15 Microsoft to help put their first system up that in
16 some places like downtown Seattle it costs \$500 a
17 month to put anything on the roof, and it doesn't
18 matter what it is. This is a little sensor. You
19 know, we're not broadcasting, it's not a television
20 tower. Okay. We'll cut it to \$400.

21 (Laughter.)

22 MR. ROBERSON: But, you know, there's a

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1 significant cost associated with just roof rights on
2 many buildings. And then finally you would get into
3 the network infrastructure. When you're dealing with
4 -- we do not have the luxury of having a (off mic)
5 behind us. We actually -- we have a 100 terabyte
6 system, but it's a specific installation. When
7 you're connecting to the Internet we discovered that
8 to be able to afford access we needed a ten gigabit
9 link from our 100 terabyte system into the Internet.
10 And that is not cheap either. So there are so many

11 different elements that you have to deal with and so
12 much that you need to think about based on what
13 you're really trying to see. And there's so much --
14 so many difficulties that have been created by people
15 making declarative statements about what they're
16 observing when really you're seeing one thing when
17 somebody else wants to see something else. I made
18 those caveats in the slide, half of which
19 disappeared. You really have to consider that.

20 I think for the comments that Marja made
21 with the European group that was looking at this,
22 this was one of their big concerns that when people

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1 came forward and talked about what they were doing in
2 the spectrum space it wasn't clear to the regulators
3 that they would be able to derive the value because
4 of the very specific things that they wanted to see
5 in specific bands. So it's, again, a very
6 complicated question with a lot of --

7 MR. TENHULA: That's why we're here.
8 That's why we're having everybody help with these
9 issues and how they address the policy-related
10 questions. Now, I'm going to turn over the floor in
11 a second.

12 Do you want to do the Phil Donahue
13 approach? Do you want folks to line up at the mike
14 to answer question -- ask questions for the last bit?

15 While you're doing that, and raising your
16 hands for questions, I'll our European colleagues

17 about the cost question kind of a bit of what Dennis
18 was talking about. Because in the U.S. the
19 whitespace decision involving, you know, the database
20 approach versus sensing approach, a lot was hinged
21 upon, in my opinion, unsubstantiated allegations of
22 costs involving the sensing approach while there was

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1 no quite indication of what the incremental cost of
2 the database approach would be either for such
3 devices.

4 So did the cost element -- has the cost
5 element been integrated into the policy discussion as
6 well within the U.K. and Europe generally about
7 sensing? Is that one of the reasons it may have some
8 cold feet about it?

9 MR. SCHONE: I think for regulators Europe
10 (off mic) too much really about the cost aspect as
11 long as it is indicated towards the operators. And
12 that's what we currently experience. The model which
13 is applied is quite complex. And we will also see
14 that the U.S. (off mic) we must not forget the
15 databases are currently under excellent no-load. If
16 you are talking about millions of such data, the
17 frequency assignments for our when you are in totally
18 different scenario and we will face when computer
19 power necessity which is completely different from
20 what we have currently. And that is exactly what I
21 meant earlier when you're looking into such a (off
22 mic) of power as could be necessary for the U.K.

1 approach which will really drive costs to a new
2 dimension.

3 And by the way, the U.K. regulator now has
4 in his approach also a measurement type of -- or kind
5 of sensor by forcing the device really to return the
6 assigned channel which so far would be possible in
7 the communication protocols which are fine. Also in
8 the U.S. approach (off mic) mandatory so far at least
9 my knowledge of it.

10 MS. MATINMIKKO: Cost is one issue, but
11 that is not discussed so openly, I think, as in
12 Europe. The other thing is that there's always the
13 performance/cost tradeoff for when allowing sharing.
14 (inaudible).

15 MR. TENHULA: Questions from the audience?

16 PARTICIPANT: Yes, the question for the
17 panel, it's about granularity and what we're doing
18 now and what you think would be possible. Dennis,
19 you mentioned directional antennas. I'm just
20 wondering, are we sensing the spectrum with scanning
21 phased arrays or directional antennas that are
22 steerable in order to get granularity in space and

1 maybe fuse the data more at the sensors? So that's
2 one question.

3 And then the second question is, is

4 technology available today in all of your measurement
5 systems for spectrum monitoring if you were, say,
6 looking at the Wi-Fi band or looking over a 20
7 megahertz channel, or today's LTD, do you have enough
8 granularity to determine when an additional user --
9 just one additional user comes on -- is that too
10 difficult to measure with the techniques today?

11 And then, thirdly, what -- I know depends
12 what you're measuring, Dennis alluded to it. There
13 are many different factors, but what would the
14 panelists say are one or two most important
15 parameters or statistics that you found in
16 characterizing spectrum usage or interference? Is it
17 the amplitude probability distribution of raw power
18 spectral density in a bandwidth or is it time rate of
19 change or power level? Maybe you could give some
20 insight into what are the one or two key technical
21 parameters you found?

22 So just to summarize, directionality, are

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1 we using it? Number two, can you detect one user
2 additional in a wide-band spectrum with modern
3 techniques; and third, what are the key one or two
4 parameters?

5 MR. ROBERSON: No, no, and it depends.

6 (Laughter.)

7 PARTICIPANT: Good answer.

8 MR. GUPTA: I'd agree actually. It's
9 pretty accurate. If you're talking about one user,

10 unless you're constantly monitoring that and you've
11 got the right number of sensors in a given area, I
12 don't think it will do that. If you start going down
13 that path and saying, okay, got three sensors in an
14 area or two sensors in an area, and then I've got --
15 I'm constantly monitoring a specific area spectrum
16 what's coming out in IT recently, they can actually
17 sense when a person is breathing. You can sense a
18 person's breathing, when they stop breathing, you can
19 basically sense an LTD.

20 MR. CAULFIELD: I noticed that you guys
21 are using discounts. We use also an omnidirectional
22 antenna and mostly because of the geographic

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1 diversity you need to be in front of the beam for
2 those higher frequencies. We don't look for single
3 users. We have in FDM networks. So, for example,
4 one fun thing to do is to watch Dulles tower and
5 Dulles ground you can know -- you can tell when new
6 planes are coming in simply by watching the charts.
7 You can see that in FDM, but that's a completely
8 different scenario.

9 In (off mic) environment, that's not
10 something that we're looking for. The sensors that
11 our system uses don't peak into the signal like that.
12 It's certainly possible to identify that if you are
13 going to do some basic demod, you're going to do some
14 channel surfing that way.

15 From a statistics perspective, our folks
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16 want to know, is the band suitable for use? If it's
17 unlicensed and it's occupied, how occupied is it?
18 And if it's unlicensed or rather available, are there
19 unlicensed devices in the band, or even not in the
20 band, but located nearby that could potentially enter
21 into the band? And then on the flip side, are there
22 transient licensed users that have incurred into the

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1 band to block it?

2 So our folks are using this more for sort
3 of gross occupancy as opposed to the fine-tune --
4 fine-tuned occupancy rates.

5 MR. COTTON: We more or less use
6 omnidirectional antennas and just take in what we can
7 from the environment across the whole thing. In
8 time, I think, yeah, we can -- there are sampling
9 devices where you can pick out -- heck, I could pick
10 up really thin pulses from a radar pulse. So you can
11 schemes these things however you want to do it. It's
12 just a matter of how you do the signal processing.

13 I think in terms of the statistics that's
14 really complicated and I think that's why we're
15 dividing up into three groups here because I think
16 the statistics are different for whatever you want to
17 do. For instance, for the policy group, you know, I
18 would imagine that Tom Power would like to be able to
19 sit at his computer and point a button and get a
20 report -- a bandout sensor report over like a year's
21 worth of information underlocked to identify

22 underutilized band of some kind. You know, and he

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1 might be able to bring that meeting and they'll say,
2 well, that's last year's stuff. Next year is going
3 to be different. I mean, he can pull out another,
4 you know, long-term statistics are important. And
5 its band occupancy really is that really important
6 measurement.

7 APBs, I mean, when you start talking about
8 coordinating spectrum usage, then you're talking
9 about much more -- detail on a much finer timeline
10 and much more recent type of usage. APBs, you know,
11 give you the distributions of what you measured. I
12 think it's more of, you know, percentage of usages
13 across the band that you really want to take a look
14 at.

15 MR. TENHULA: All right. We have time
16 for one quick question. Wendy?

17 PARTICIPANT: Phil Dorka. My question is,
18 are any of you considering using airborne sensors?
19 And if so, what do you see as some advantages and the
20 challenges?

21 MR. SCHONE: It always depends on the case
22 of what you want to do. An airborne sensor can have

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1 enormous advantages when you, for example, want to

2 measure a satellite beam because normally you are not
3 able to depict the uplink. If you're at the uplink
4 you are able to identify it. It's also interesting,
5 for example to get the propagation characteristics
6 off a tower that we choose normally would have find
7 the problem. But what is useful in every case one is
8 very doubtful, it is more appropriate if you have
9 comparable load on time because the aircraft or you
10 have to bring in new electricity, whatever. So it's
11 also a time question.

12 MR. TENHULA: Anybody else?

13 MR. ROBERSON: Sure. The airplane
14 question was actually one that we were discussing on
15 Friday, Mark Gibson was here and Mark McHenry and
16 several others are owners of airplanes and I love to
17 have the opportunity to do this. And for me, having
18 colleagues in Dartmouth here and in NSF, I would be
19 delighted on behalf of Illinois Student Technology to
20 be in receipt of an airplane so that we can do these
21 --

22 (Laughter.)

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1 MR. ROBERSON: Because they have enormous
2 value and being more serious. There is huge value in
3 having the unobstructed view of the spectral range.
4 But you actually need all of these different
5 precepts. You need individual sensors. I don't know
6 if 50 meters or, you know, but some places, yes, you
7 need them very, very tightly located. You do need

8 beam forming for Ted's point. You do need our tall
9 buildings, you do need long-term, you do need
10 short-term.

11 What is critical with all of these
12 different techniques and different observation
13 platforms and a huge research topic is the fusion of
14 the data. Because that's in the end what you need.
15 You -- it's like the blind children and the elephant
16 and the different perspectives of what an elephant is
17 based on where you happen to be standing next to the
18 elephant. But the key is bringing them all together
19 and being able to make sense out of all these
20 measurements.

21 But back to the question, the airborne
22 aspect is a critical component to the collage that

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1 you need to bring together to really understand the
2 spectrum usage.

3 MR. TENHULA: All right. Our time is up
4 and we're going to continue all these discussions and
5 great questions at lunch and in the breakout groups.
6 And I appreciate this overview from the panel. That
7 was very good and please join me in thanking the
8 panel.

9 (Applause.)

10 (Whereupon, at 12:03 pm

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15 A F T E R N O O N S E S S I O N

16 (4:20 p.m.)

17 MR. ROBERSON: Well, good afternoon, you
18 have survived to the final session. Count yourself
19 fortunate.

20 (Laughter.)

21 MR. ROBERSON: Actually, I really
22 appreciate everyone's contributions through the day.

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1 It's been already a great day. At least we can hope
2 it has been for you as well. Our challenge for the
3 final hurrah of our session today is to bring
4 together the working groups that have labored so
5 intensively over the last couple of hours and come up
6 with actionable research projects for us to move
7 forward with and now we will try to bring those all
8 together, first hearing summaries from each of the
9 three working groups, and that would be for the
10 benefit of each of the three summaries for the two
11 groups that were not part of that organization, so
12 that we're all on the same page, we'll accomplish
13 that fairly quickly. And then our goal from there
14 will be to take those actionable research proposals
15 that have come out of the groups, put them up as a
16 summary, solicit any that come from the group based
17 on the fact that we're now together, you have this
18 great proposal for the group that you were not a part
19 of that you want to make sure that we log, and we

20 would like to have that log. Bring that all together
21 and then at the end the grand finale is to try to
22 prioritize the research proposals that have been

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1 submitted so that we have a quick consolidated list
2 and some of them I've hopefully even somewhat
3 anticipated may be cross-fertilized by the groups
4 coming together.

5 So that's our path from here to the end.
6 We will try to do this expeditiously as well because
7 we do have an hour and a half, an event which you are
8 all invited to participate in. You'll hear more
9 about that. For those of you who don't know what I'm
10 talking about right now, but there is an event to
11 follow and we'll have that opportunity to debrief and
12 socialize and all the rest at the end.

13 So, let me start out with the leaders and
14 a quick review of the leadership. And they're
15 arrayed before you in order. So if you're still
16 trying to connect names with people, starting with
17 John at this end and John at that end, that was
18 helpful, wasn't it?

19 (Laughter.)

20 MR. ROBERSON: John Hunter at that end,
21 John Chapin at this end. We have the groups ordered,
22 and therefore, the first group we're focused on

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1 policy. The second group we're focused on
2 enforcement. And the third group we're focused on
3 operations and we'll have those reviews.

4 But let me quickly describe the
5 backgrounds of our moderators. John Hunter is
6 currently the Director of Spectrum Policy at T-Mobile.
7 Prior to this effort John spent four years on a tour
8 in government and it truly was a tour. He spent time
9 at NTIA, at DOD, and at DEA. He is also heavily
10 involved in clearing the AWS1 spectrum working with
11 T-Mobile.

12 John has 15 years in the industry and has
13 worked in a wide variety of engineering and
14 leadership capacities. So he is well-versed and
15 well-appointed to join our effort today.

16 Working with him as co-moderator for the
17 policy endeavor was John -- John -- we've got too
18 many Johns -- Howard McDonald and John -- I keep
19 going with John. Howard McDonald --

20 (Laughter.)

21 MR. ROBERSON: Who I actually know really
22 well for about 15 years. Joined the Defense Spectrum

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1 Organization five years ago and he does have 20 years
2 of experience in supporting DOD as a contractor. He
3 is currently the branch chief for the advanced access
4 branch responsible for evaluating emerging techniques
5 and technologies to identify their impact on the DOD
6 and its operations.

7 His current focus is on dynamic spectrum
8 access which seems to have some value here. And that
9 focus on policy-based spectrum management. So,
10 again, terrific background for Howard with this
11 group.

12 For Dale Hatfield, Dale has already been
13 introduced to us today. But Dale is amazing is the
14 general way of introducing Dale.

15 (Laughter.)

16 MR. ROBERSON: But he is senior fellow at
17 the Silicon Flatiron Center for Law, Technology, and
18 Entrepreneurship and an adjunct professor at
19 University of Colorado. But he's so many more things
20 as you heard this morning. His involvement in all
21 aspects of spectrum oriented and wireless in general
22 oriented activities within the government is now

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1 legendary. Besides all that, he's a great guy and a
2 good friend.

3 Next Tom Dembrowski. Tom is a senior
4 engineering advisor with Wiley Rain, LLP. He has
5 been involved in the law firm for some time providing
6 technical advice and guidance for a variety of
7 clients. He also sits on the Commerce Spectrum
8 Management Advisory Council along with Dale and I,
9 and is a very, very well-written, well-spoken
10 individual having observed this and experienced it
11 within the context of CSMACK, but also in other
12 areas.

13 Peter Stanforth is CEO and cofounder of
14 Spectrum Bridge. He is responsible for managing
15 intellectual property and development and all aspects
16 of product development and operations at Spectrum
17 Bridge. He's been involved in a number of
18 organizations. Prior to that he was cofounder and
19 CEO of Mesh Networks. He has been involved in a
20 number of forums that have advanced the cause of
21 wireless and he is currently very heavily involved in
22 moving the whole notion of not only TV whitespace,

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1 but the use of spectrum in an efficient and effective
2 way.

3 Finally, John Chapin is a program manager
4 at DARPA. He is well-known for his efforts around
5 radio map and more recently his work within the
6 context of radar. And he is moving this whole area
7 forward. Previous to his time at DARPA, he was
8 visiting scientist in the research laboratory for
9 electronics at MIT. He has had numerous engagements
10 in this whole field and in particular was the chief
11 technology officer for Vanue in part of its
12 inception.

13 So that's an abbreviated version of the
14 backgrounds and biographies of our team. And with
15 that, let me turn it over to our first of our working
16 group and John and Howard, I'm not sure how you have
17 coordinated your output, but please take over and
18 tell us what your group covered and in particular

19 what your proposals for the group is to our
20 actionable research proposals for us to pursue.

21 MR. HUNTER: Well, it was an interesting
22 discussion, of course, you know, a lot of compassion

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1 on a number of fronts. People expressed their views
2 as to that value of monitoring the spectrum
3 environment and how that can inform policy decisions
4 on a number of levels.

5 I think, you know, I started off, you
6 know, talking to the folks about this monitoring is
7 more of kind of a trust type approach. And I think
8 some of the things that are ongoing now, particularly
9 in light that we got by proceeding, there's a number
10 of things that are going on there that I think help
11 inform how we would, you know, shape policy around
12 that particular band. But I think as a group we walk
13 away and merely trying to understand if it's actually
14 what you're trying to solve within each particular
15 band. Should it actually drive the overall effort as
16 opposed to a more robust in putting up an antenna and
17 trying to collect everything without having a good
18 set of parameters to actually learn from as to how
19 you set up your equipment.

20 So with that in mind, you know, you wanted
21 to keep the discussion band agnostic, but I think you
22 do have to be grounded in the fact that it's the

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1 incumbent systems that are going to actually drive
2 any meaningful information you're going to get out of
3 it.

4 So, you know, going through the process,
5 you know, we talked about how monitoring would inform
6 policy, but some others felt that, you know, and I
7 tend to agree, you know, that policy also informs the
8 testing that goes into this. I think if we look back
9 at the work that went into CSMACK working group
10 studies, there was a lot of information that was put
11 out there. And there wasn't a lot of time, I would
12 add, to really ensure that you had enough information
13 about the electromagnetic spectrum environment that
14 could actually help inform the type of analysis
15 you're putting forth; particularly in a predictive
16 model. You know, I know there was a big debate that
17 we had during those discussions was around clutter,
18 introducing clutter into the model, talking about
19 terrain, things of that nature. And where, I think
20 monitor would have really helped that process is if
21 you're actually collecting empirical data and you
22 start to realize it and then compare it with the

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1 predicted model and you see the differences, it can
2 really inform the process.

3 So, yes, I think monitoring it goes hand
4 in hand with the whole testing effort. I think it's

5 very important as to how you shape policy going
6 forward. So where we kind of left it, we do have a
7 pilot project that's underway out at ITS with Mike
8 Cotton and team. Kind of left it, you know, we would
9 kind of use that as a straw man for discussion and
10 then put some framework around it through the CAC,
11 forget the acronym there, but the Center for Advanced
12 Communication. So kind of lettered some of the work
13 that's going on there to kind of put some framework
14 around it.

15 So, Howard.

16 MR. McDONALD: A little bit of what John
17 described is framework. What we talked about was
18 this concept of a forum. And we really didn't get to
19 what that forum would be, the scope, the charter, who
20 the members would be, but I think we're going to ask
21 the Wizard SSG to discuss that concept with the forum
22 a little more. Using the three and a half gigahertz

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1 pileup that Mike Cotton is working on as the
2 beginnings of some broader set of monitoring ideas,
3 if you will, because to pile on what someone said
4 this morning, monitoring without a context would be
5 difficult. So you need a specific policy decision
6 question in front of you and an analysis to help
7 inform that policy decision and the monitoring is a
8 piece of building that technical basis as part of the
9 analysis to make the policy decisions.

10 Then the last thing is the Center for

11 Advanced Communications. We think that that
12 organization should be leveraged to do the things
13 like what are some monitoring best practices that
14 could be shared amongst the monitoring community, if
15 you will, with -- we use the term, certification as a
16 four letter word for folks in the room. But some way
17 to benchmark monitoring capabilities from the
18 perspective of doing monitoring that has some
19 acceptable validity too.

20 MR. ROBERSON: In terms of the actual
21 proposed -- this is very good discussion. Did you
22 have actual research proposals? I'm almost tempted

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1 to pick up and walk around here because you guys are
2 both looking at me, and I wanted you to look at the
3 audience.

4 PARTICIPANT: Dennis, why don't you use
5 that mike that you used before.

6 MR. ROBERSON: Or, I'll go sit next to
7 Raymond.

8 PARTICIPANT: Here, this gives you some
9 flexibility.

10 MR. ROBERSON: Yeah, then you won't have
11 to look at me. I can also read this which is
12 terrific.

13 MR. McDONALD: So research and development
14 ideas, so without contexts for what monitoring would
15 do that was somewhat difficult for me. We talked
16 about some research in terms of data analytics that

17 say we're going to be monitoring spectrum over a long
18 period of time, over a large geographic area. Now,
19 how much data will that generate? So we need some
20 additional research in the area. How do we reduce
21 that data into something that policymakers would be
22 able to understand .

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1 MR. HUNTER: Yeah, and I would just add, I
2 think it's, you know, really trying to shape the
3 effort if you're trying to take on too many projects,
4 and I think you can get a lot of information coming
5 at you without really solving what you're trying to
6 put forward which is a framework to leveraging
7 monitoring capability to inform policy.

8 You know, some of the projects we talked
9 about were one was yours out in Chicago. We talked
10 about the Dr. Chapin with DARPA and the radio map
11 project. And all of those are very good efforts that
12 have their place. But I think with respect to trying
13 to answer a specific policy issue that you're trying
14 to solve, we thought it would be best to focus on a
15 single effort at this particular point in time, but
16 then kind of ground it within the CAC to put a
17 framework around it.

18 MR. ROBERSON: Okay. So that would be
19 your -- sort of your one encapsulated recommendation
20 and --

21 MR. HUNTER: Yes.

22 MR. ROBERSON: -- from an action

1 standpoint?

2 MR. HUNTER: Yes, the action part there
3 that we took away is we're going to leverage to pile
4 it on 3.5.

5 MR. ROBERSON: Uh-huh.

6 MR. HUNTER: -- that ITS is working on.
7 And then we'll add more structure, I think, to the
8 overall framework as we learn more through the
9 Centers for Advanced Communication.

10 MR. ROBERSON: Okay. Very good.

11 We'll actually -- I was going to let
12 everyone go through, but if they're clarifying
13 questions on what's been said, we'll do clarifying
14 questions now, but I do want to solicit your active
15 participant in generating the actionable research
16 items. But if they're clarifying questions, this
17 would be a good time to ask them for the policy
18 group. Any clarifying questions?

19 MR. SUBRAMANIAN: One thing, did your
20 group -- what are the key policy issues from a
21 spectrum and the sharing spectrum perspective?
22 They're not important while policies need to be

1 established. Was that discussed and did you come up
2 with any specific. This is what is not understood.
3 These are the items, like, for example, standards for

4 example. Any policy things that you discussed that
5 can lead to further research in this case?

6 MR. McDONALD: So issues that we discussed
7 include quantifying spectrum occupancy, validating
8 some of the propagation assumptions that went into,
9 for example, the CSNACK studies and how could
10 monitoring better inform and validate existing
11 propagation capabilities. Opportunities to share in
12 terms of quantifying the temporal and spatial aspects
13 of spectrum use for incumbents. Unfortunately we
14 didn't get the chance to translate those into
15 specific action -- other than the data analytics --

16 MR. SUBRAMANIAN: But at least this is
17 good. This is good. This is a good lead.

18 MR. ROBERSON: Good. I will point out and
19 I would point out the obvious. We are capturing --
20 in front of you what we're hearing, and as you
21 observed none of us are perfect at this. If you
22 observed something. No, no, no, that's not really

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1 what was meant by that last statement. Please call
2 that out too as we go so that we'll capture this.
3 Although we do have a complete recording of the
4 session as well. So every word that you say will be
5 recorded.

6 (Laughter.)

7 PARTICIPANT: I'm curious, you're bringing
8 up propagation models -- I said, you keep bringing up
9 propagation models. There's a number of them out

10 there, but a lot of those are well validated and well
11 established. And a lot of them provide being able to
12 ensure empirical data to refine those laws. Is that
13 what you were discussing to do or --

14 MR. HUNTER: No, that was actually a very
15 small subset of the discussion. I think -- I mean,
16 kind of where I was going to identify the example I
17 gave there was more -- you're absolutely right. I
18 mean, we used well-known established models as part
19 of the CSMACK process. But there are a number of
20 things that you can incorporate into those models
21 that the group just didn't have enough time to come
22 to agreement upon. And so we highlighted the fact

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1 that through monitoring, actually collecting some
2 empirical data, system data, not only of the
3 incumbent systems, but also the handsets, the UEs,
4 that you really can see how clutter and terrain
5 really would make an impact in the overall analysis.
6 So that's what we were trying to highlight is this is
7 an example where I think monitoring can inform the
8 predictive model process.

9 So, and also I think on the -- you know,
10 you were asking about the policy issues, per se. And
11 I think Bruce Page had asked early on, was the mantra
12 of the group to talk about how monitoring can inform
13 policy; which is exactly right. So we focused a lot
14 on the different types of monitoring capabilities and
15 kind of just left it, it's really the incumbent

16 operations that are really going to drive some of
17 those policy decisions. Monitoring will just inform.

18 MR. ROBERSON: Okay. Seeing no more hands
19 for clarifying questions, we'll move to our second
20 working group, or focus group rather.

21 MR. DEMBROWSKI: Yeah, I'm going to go
22 first. I'll talk a little bit in sort of summary

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1 fashion about what we discussed and then Dale will
2 talk about the actionable items that came out.

3 We had a very active group. We thought at
4 the start that everybody was going to look at us very
5 quietly, but after the first couple questions
6 everybody started getting rolling and it was really a
7 very active discussion. I think the main focuses
8 were on number one, everybody agrees that enforcement
9 is a very important part of this. I think there's a
10 definite -- I won't say difference of opinion, but
11 some strong opinions about how do you handle policing
12 for spectrum in these environments. And so number
13 one, I think everybody believes there should be some
14 flexibility that it doesn't need to be sort of top
15 down managed by the federal government, there's a
16 role for third-parties to play, there's a role for
17 the two parties that are engaged with each other to
18 play with one another and not involve the government
19 in any fashion.

20 I think the opening questions we came
21 about were how do you manage that. You know, what is

22 the federal government's role. I'm not sure we have

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1 the answer to that, but we certainly have some follow
2 up questions to get to that.

3 I think falling into that, I think we also
4 said, you know, we have the federal government
5 sharing with commercial entities and how does that
6 work? Where is the hammer? Certainly when you have
7 a commercial agreement, it's pretty obvious how you
8 sort of resolve disputes, you can go to court, or you
9 can have arbitration. But when you have the federal
10 government with a commercial entity, how will that
11 work if both parties think they're following the
12 agreement and have reached an agreement and then who
13 resolves the dispute? Do you then go to NTIA and FCC
14 jointly, or is there some other way to sort of agree
15 in the agreement as to how you're going to mediate
16 and figure out the agreements.

17 Another follow-on point we got into was
18 intentional, malicious interference versus sort of
19 interference, but maybe nonmalicious interference and
20 having a hierarchy of how you manage interference
21 resolution. So we talked about folks that are
22 unintentionally interfering because they didn't know

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1 they were doing things and that's sort of one bucket

2 of interference first, and those that are willfully
3 are going about interfering and having a different
4 approach with those folks and how you would start
5 with those who are nonmalicious interferers with a
6 lighter touch and possibly moving through a hierarchy
7 of worse pain, if you will, if they continue to be
8 more malicious in their involvement and interference.

9 And I think the final point, at a high
10 level summary I want to talk about was in talking
11 about how we manage the spectrum from the software
12 and hardware side. We had an active discussion about
13 whether we should lock down software if you're in a
14 shared network or not. And if you are going to lock
15 down the software, what part of the software do you
16 need to lock down and what would be the ramifications
17 to the end user and/or other folks that want to use
18 the software and modify the software. And can we
19 actually pick out where to modify or not, which is
20 sort of stealing some thunder from Dale because we're
21 going to get into some actionable items based on
22 that.

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1 So I think that's the top level,
2 high-level summary and then we'll talk about sort of
3 ideas we had with the forum.

4 MR. HATFIELD: The last thing we did in
5 the group was ask for suggestions for actionable
6 items and I'll talk about four here. That could
7 probably be expanded some depending on how you break

8 things down.

9 I think there was pretty strong consensus
10 that what Tom just mentioned is the software/hardware
11 hardening issue. We seemed to get an awful lot of
12 traction that that needs more research. And that my
13 impression was, as I said, that was pretty unanimous,
14 I think. So that's what Tom and I set out there, we
15 said, let's put them in order. And that only
16 reflects our order. But that was one of the specific
17 research items that we talked about.

18 The second is going to be, I think,
19 surprising in the true interdisciplinary fashion
20 there is -- there's a need for some social science
21 research.

22 (Laughter.)

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1 MR. HATFIELD: And what it is, is trying
2 to understand better the motivations that drive
3 people to cheat. In other words, to hack their
4 device, or whatever. And if you understood some of
5 those motivations better, the thought you would be in
6 a better position to be able to figure out how to
7 ameliorate those.

8 So looking then again, how can we figure
9 out ways of motivating or demotivating people in
10 terms of their willingness to play by the -- play by
11 the spectrum rules. And part of this was driven by
12 just the discretion with a lot of discussion. We
13 felt like there wasn't really much hard information,

14 you know, that we all sort of had opinions. But
15 there was not much in the way of hard data. So that
16 was another one of our recommendation would be to
17 undertake some sort of a research project truly
18 interdisciplinary looking at those types of issues.

19 The third is one that's sort of dear to my
20 heart is the going further in terms of the -- in the
21 direction of crowd sourcing and particularly where
22 devices on sort of a secondary basis are able to

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1 gather information that can be used on the
2 enforcement side. We have so many smart devices out
3 there, millions of them, that have all kinds of
4 capabilities that demonstrated to its speed test
5 program, for example, that you can do things, crowd
6 source or there's sort of a basis there for you to.
7 So the idea would be that there would be some
8 research to try to extend that idea a little bit
9 further, put a little bit of meat around it so it
10 could be something that the Commission then could
11 perhaps actually implement through rules.

12 The fourth one -- who is it -- oh, gosh,
13 he's copyrighted, I think, or trademarked it --
14 Shockey. He has this thing the answer is money,
15 what's the question?

16 (Laughter.)

17 MR. HATFIELD: And there was discussion
18 about, gee, we really think that monitoring can play,
19 should play, and so forth, a really critical role.

20 But where is the funding? Where is the funding going
21 to come to it?
22 Now, you could probably question whether

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1 that's really this type of recommendation you're
2 looking for, but I think there might be an academic
3 sort of paper that would look in other sectors the
4 economy and so forth of how funding is done for these
5 sorts of activities. And just to make sure that
6 we're not overlooking some ideas, individual device
7 fees, for example, was talked about as a possibility
8 and so forth.

9 And then as part of that, or at least I
10 lumped them together, is one way of course is getting
11 -- you can do two things; you can get more money, or
12 you can reduce the costs. And so part of that could
13 also include trying to reduce the cost of doing the
14 enforcement so that we don't have to ask for as much
15 money and there's some sort of an appropriation in a
16 sense.

17 So that was the four -- I hope --
18 actionable items that we came up with.

19 MR. ROBERSON: Great. There are
20 questions. Okay.

21 The one, the only.

22 PARTICIPANT: Thanks, Dennis. Dale, on

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1 the part about the social science, did the group sort
2 of pick somewhere on the continuum between felonious
3 behavior and sort of children goofing around where
4 that is, or should this social science research
5 really look across the spectrum of hacking?

6 MR. HATFIELD: I'm not sure we really got
7 that. I'm not sure we really got that far. My old
8 college professor says that a well-defined problem is
9 half solved. So --

10 (Laughter.)

11 MR. HATFIELD: -- the first step would be
12 to try and define the social thing that would
13 certainly be included. That's why I think you
14 certainly want to include it.

15 MR. ROBERSON: One thing you might cover
16 is the discretion was the example that's grown out of
17 the school teacher.

18 MR. HATFIELD: Yeah. The example that --
19 the kind of classic example, if you will, is the
20 school teacher who installs the cell phone jammer in
21 the classroom. And, you know, he or she does it for
22 very good reasons. You know, you don't want the kids

1 not focusing on their studies. There's no evil
2 intent here. There's no meanness or anything, or
3 badness in a sense. They're trying to really use
4 something that could help not realizing, of course,
5 that, you know, that could jam somebody else next
6 door trying to call 911. It can jam a call coming in

7 or whatever. And so that seems to me, anyway, if we
8 understood some of that better. You know, the
9 solution to that might be just more education.

10 MR. HUNTER: One of the things to note too
11 on the social science side and to Jim's question too
12 is the other thing that was discussed was whether we
13 should be looking in addition to how society would
14 react to hardening up the software or hardening up
15 the hardware. So that's the other piece of the sort
16 of the social science experiment that we also thought
17 would be a useful thing to look at as well. Because
18 while we're all in a room talking about it, I
19 actually asked a few times, I said, are we sure?
20 This is something that the public would actually
21 appreciate. And I think there were a few hands that
22 raised and said, no, I don't think so. You know,

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1 government involved in my device is not a --
2 something that doesn't scare a lot of people. So --

3 PARTICIPANT: Especially those from Idaho.
4 (Laughter.)

5 MR. HUNTER: I was going to leave that
6 out.

7 (Laughter.)

8 MR. ROBERSON: Any other clarifying
9 questions?

10 (No response.)

11 MR. ROBERSON: Okay. Let's move on to our
12 third focus group.

13 MR. CHAPIN: I was thinking I would
14 project this, but it seems like it's being fairly
15 useful for the notes to be taken real time here. So
16 I think I'll do this verbally.

17 MR. ROBERSON: Okay. Your choice.

18 MR. CHAPIN: But there is a 20-slide
19 briefing which has been e-mailed --

20 (Laughter.)

21 MR. CHAPIN: -- to you, Dennis, and to
22 Wendy. So I hope that you will get the additional

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1 information out of that and not limit yourself simply
2 to what is conveyed verbally right now.

3 PARTICIPANT: So we should have had a dual
4 screen, I guess.

5 (Laughter.)

6 MR. CHAPIN: Yes. All right. The first
7 thing, this is actually a small point, but, one that
8 popped up a couple of times it's literally just
9 terminology. We had some people stand up and say,
10 there's going to be -- when we talk about
11 implementing spectrum monitoring into flex spectrum
12 monitoring, the word "monitoring" conveys all sorts
13 of meanings that create a great deal of privacy and
14 public interest concerns. And I raised my hand and
15 said, well, we had this debate a year and a half ago
16 related to the DARPA program. And our PR folks came
17 back and said, call it spectrum characterization not
18 spectrum monitoring and you will avoid that problem.

19 So, perhaps we as a community would like to start
20 using that term. I will donate it.

21 (Laughter.)

22 MR. CHAPIN: If that is of interest. But

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1 that was the first point. But it was just a small
2 one, but perhaps significant.

3 MR. ROBERSON: Your government at work for
4 you once again.

5 (Laughter.)

6 MR. CHAPIN: Okay. So our focus group we
7 split it into three. This was work done in advance
8 of the meeting. We split it into three subtopics and
9 we split our group into three subgroups which met
10 independently, came together at the last instant and
11 provided inputs. So you will have sort of three
12 disparate inputs that aren't truly merged together
13 yet from our side.

14 One of them was a discussion of how you
15 would use spectrum monitoring information to support
16 a broad set of goals.

17 The second one, how would you implement
18 monitoring in a cost effective and appropriate way?

19 And the third --

20 PARTICIPANT: Characterization.

21 MR. CHAPIN: I'm sorry.

22 Characterization. I'm reading off my slide here.

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1 (Laughter.)

2 MR. CHAPIN: Hey, the group hasn't voted
3 yet to change the name of what we're doing.

4 And then the third is, how does this
5 interact -- this process or that is capability
6 interact with other societal priorities like privacy
7 and security and so on?

8 So let's talk about each of those groups
9 in turn. First of all the usage issue. Actually
10 I'll turn that over to Peter. It was his group and
11 he can speak to it more correctly.

12 MR. STANFORTH: What's interesting is
13 there were some very common recurring themes that
14 came back and forth in here, but specifically to this
15 aspect, as the discussion got quite heated and
16 covered quite a lot of opinions and areas, it was
17 obvious that the challenges of defining what to
18 measure and how to measure it were really impossible
19 to characterize on a macro level, but we really had
20 to look at the specific bands. But trying to decide
21 what to measure and how to measure relative to say an
22 airborne radar or shipboard radar in one band was

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1 very different than it might be in another band. And
2 then if the policies were different, then that also
3 came to be an impact as well.

4 So essentially we decided if you're going

5 to make any real progress you're going to have to
6 sort of divide and conquer this.

7 The second thing that probably
8 characterizes a lot of the debate was around when
9 you're monitoring there are different reasons why you
10 might monitor. The three that were the best way to
11 describe what we came up with were whether you're
12 monitoring for access, for occupancy, or enforcement.
13 Because depending on what you're looking for, or so
14 what you're trying to do, the way that you ... what
15 you look for would be quite different. So, again,
16 you've got to decide, am I looking to monitor who is
17 using it from the point of view of have I got
18 co-existence issues with other similar users, or am I
19 looking for an enforcement issue because somebody is
20 using the spectrum that shouldn't be.

21 So, out of that came the feeling that if
22 we did focus on a band that product output

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1 conclusions could be got to quite effectively and
2 very quickly.

3 And then the question came about and was
4 another hot topic was in a sense of trust. You know,
5 if believe and if we're going to monitor, what
6 measurement, can everybody believe that this is
7 reasonable and after a reflection of what's going on.

8 And as a subset of that, actually tied a
9 little bit to ... we're talking about was this notion
10 that if you start with the assumption that I don't

11 know you, therefore, I don't trust you, and
12 therefore, I'm going to tell you very little. And if
13 you earn my trust, then I'll tell you more and let
14 you know more. And we can get into a lot of detail
15 about how you might earn trust, but the notion that
16 somebody might be more trustworthy and therefore be
17 helped more, we get more information was one of the
18 keys there.

19 And then the last piece of it was what we
20 call data availability which again wraps back into
21 everything else which is, if you're collecting this
22 data, who should have access to it, who shouldn't

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1 have access to it and the frustration is that the
2 notion of, you know, a lot of times the data is
3 available in one source and not another. And I won't
4 mention names but it was, you know, brought up that
5 the Navy won't tell us when the fleet is leaving ...
6 the local newspaper will tell you.

7 (Laughter.)

8 MR. STANFORTH: ... I won't take credit
9 for that, but that lot was sort of a sense of, you
10 know, sometimes we know these things, yet we're not
11 supposed to know. And if we're going to go and do
12 measurements, then we're going to know more. But,
13 you know, whether we should know in the first place
14 or not is something that wasn't really resolved and I
15 think comes down more to a policy issue than it does
16 a technical issue.

17 MR. CHAPIN: Second subgroup was
18 implementation. That's the one that I chaired. We
19 focused on the following question: Which problem is
20 critical and will not be solved without federal R&D
21 investment?
22 Everybody went around the table. We had a

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1 lot of ideas and then we grouped them together. We
2 came up with three broad themes. The root theme is
3 how to measure better. And there's a lot of detail
4 in the briefing that I'll pass along to you. But if
5 you were to put out a lot of sensors and do that in
6 an ad hoc way and not be sure that what you're doing
7 is useful, you end up with a lot of noisy data that
8 doesn't help you answer your policy questions or get
9 spectrum access or anything. You can't trust it.

10 So research on how to measure better.
11 That's the root. And then to derive things that
12 depend on what comes out of that, but could be
13 carried out in parallel.

14 One is this notion of the system of
15 monitoring systems. If we're going to scale to
16 national/international we're going to have a lot of
17 different systems that protect different parts of the
18 problem. And this is the machine to machine
19 interfaces and standards, the various kinds of things
20 that only the government has the neutral position to
21 help push forward to ensure that we end up with a
22 scalable and effective solution.

1 The third one that also derives from how
2 to measure better is reducing the cost of sensors.
3 This is a small one compared to the other two. We
4 didn't have nearly as much support in the group for
5 that. There were some folks who brought it forward
6 because there's a bit of a chicken and egg problem.
7 ... market for sensors, perhaps private industry
8 wouldn't invest in getting them down to -- costs down
9 to the point that you can put a lot of them out
10 there. But that one should be taken as a small
11 recommendation.

12 The big recommendation is how to measure
13 better and the system of monitoring systems.

14 The third subgroup was on the interactions
15 with other societal priorities. And John Peacock
16 chaired that group. I will speak on his behalf.

17 Let me know if I get something seriously
18 wrong here.

19 They saw an inherent tradeoff between
20 spectrum efficiency and the other societal goals of
21 privacy and security protection. Information that is
22 the exact information you need for diam spectrum

1 access at the same time can unintentionally reveal
2 unimportant -- important information.

3 So the research topic here is how do you
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4 limit that information while preserving spectrum
5 efficiency? There are regulatory means and there are
6 technical means of doing this. The group talked
7 about lots of methods for obfuscation. And there are
8 different uses of spectrum data which impose
9 different threats. That was the focus of their
10 discussion.

11 So now I'm going to go onto the concrete
12 actionable particular recommendations. I'm going to
13 start with the usage group. We had two here. The
14 first is the AWS-3 auction. The observation is this
15 is a place where some form of sharing is going to
16 likely be needed. And users who want access may
17 actually help deploy the sensor network and auction
18 revenues could help fund it. So that may be a good
19 target of opportunity to think about.

20 The other usage project potentially would
21 be to deploy monitoring in a couple of verticals.
22 And the one that we discussed a little bit was public

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1 safety. So the goal here would be to deploy
2 monitoring that simultaneously gives you data of high
3 policy value, and also use it as an opportunity to
4 improve your monitoring methods and systems.

5 So, for example, one of the key questions
6 for a public safety spectrum use is the rate at which
7 it ramps up when an emergency occurs. And if we were
8 out there with monitoring equipment to measure those
9 ramps and get the statistics on that, and get the

10 ramped down statistics and the usage statistics, that
11 would provide a basis for more effective sharing
12 approaches.

13 So those were our two usage projects that
14 we came up with.

15 On implementation we have a little bit
16 long of a list, so I won't read the whole thing. But
17 we felt it was important to get out there early and
18 test often and we saw on multiple opportunities that
19 could ... substantially for federal R&D support. For
20 example, should we deploy monitoring in the wireless
21 test city? So in addition to being the place for
22 testing the usage of the spectrum, could you also

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1 take advantage of that same infrastructure for
2 getting the monitoring test bed out there.

3 Another thing to consider doing would be
4 to actually link a monitoring test bed to your
5 dynamic sharing access test bed in a more safe
6 environment, not in a test city where you could crash
7 things, but in an engineering test environment which
8 is a bit more of a controlled spectral environment
9 and a bit safer. So two opportunities there.

10 The third one would be to do that linked
11 monitoring and sharing anywhere you want, but just do
12 it in an underutilized spectrum band like 60
13 gigahertz. So now you have an opportunity to play
14 around without causing harm to folks.

15 On the measure better side, we talked

16 about a number of research ideas here. Again, I
17 think very useful and interesting suggestions which I
18 would encourage the chairs to look at post facto.

19 But in terms of what a research goal might
20 be, if you were to create an NSF or a DARPA program
21 in this area, one suggestion for the goal would be to
22 be able to create a model in the computer that can

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1 recreate or predict the statistics of the
2 interference environment that you would measure in
3 the real world.

4 Now, I think I heard this from somebody
5 else on the table here, something very close to this.
6 The point is that if you can build a computer system
7 or a model that is able to -- based on some
8 measurement inputs over time -- continually track
9 what's going on in the real world and predict what
10 you would see if you went out into it, then you know
11 that you have found the final parameters that you
12 have to measure.

13 Pierre DeBrees has been circulating around
14 an idea along these lines, by the way ... I'll say
15 that some of us have seen. It's on his blog, so
16 anybody can read it.

17 In terms of -- we had a couple of smaller
18 ones, but things that were fun. One of them was that
19 you know that DARPA recently has the spectrum
20 challenge. So should we have the sensing challenge?

21 And the winner is the person whose

22 technology enables identifying the usage of the

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1 spectrum and the holes most accurately, get some
2 fairly complex measurement environment.

3 And then on the interaction side, a little
4 bit less concrete, didn't have a chance to really sit
5 down and talk with John and his cohorts about what
6 would be actionable here, but the general areas that
7 would be interesting would be to pick a realistic
8 system that uses spectrum today and go and analyze
9 its privacy and security needs in some detail to
10 start providing the kinds of ground truth that we can
11 use to generalize about the interactions between
12 spectrum monitoring and other societal needs.

13 So I'll stop there.

14 MR. ROBERSON: Great. A lot of work. Any
15 questions about the contents from our third group on
16 operations?

17 (No response.)

18 MR. ROBERSON: I'm not seeing it.

19 All right. Now we'll move to the next
20 phase of the process which is to engage you all in
21 sorting through some of the actual recommendations.
22 And now the challenge for you is to see if you can

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1 pull them and put them on a separate page which we'll

2 give you a moment to do.

3 PARTICIPANT: Be gentle.

4 MR. ROBERSON: Yeah, definitely be gentle.

5 But this word But first of all, we're going to
6 do that is in a process. First of all, those of you
7 who were a part of the first group, the policy focus
8 group, any comments that you would wish to add to
9 what's already been presented by Howard and John?

10 They did a perfect job of representing the
11 entire time.

12 MR. HUNTER: Mine has 20 slides.

13 MR. ROBERSON: Incredible.

14 (Laughter.)

15 MR. ROBERSON: Okay.

16 PARTICIPANT: Ten of them we brought in
17 with us today.

18 MR. ROBERSON: No comments from the group?

19 (No response.)

20 MR. ROBERSON: The same for the second
21 group on enforcement? Anyone from that group that
22 would like to add comments to what has been presented

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1 by Dale and Tom?

2 PARTICIPANT: Turn left.

3 MR. ROBERSON: Turn left. Okay. Dirk, we
4 got it.

5 (No response.)

6 MR. ROBERSON: And he was part of the
7 group so that actually --

8 (Simultaneous conversation.)

9 MR. ROBERSON: The third group, the
10 operations group; any comments from members of that
11 group, particularly John Payha, who is not paying
12 attention, but that's okay.

13 (Laughter.)

14 MR. ROBERSON: Any comments?

15 (No response.)

16 MR. ROBERSON: Well, this is incredible.
17 I actually thought there would be -- this would be a
18 considerable time where there would be a lot of
19 input.

20 All right. Now we'll go to the somewhat
21 more expansive point which is the opportunity for
22 people not in the policy group to voice your views.

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1 Several of you have talked about needing a cloning
2 machine because you wanted to participate in all
3 three groups or in two, at least, of the groups.
4 This is your opportunity to participate in the policy
5 group for those of you who are not part of the policy
6 group and point out the normal things like why in the
7 world didn't you cover, fill in the blank, or
8 whatever your particular focus is that you feel ought
9 to be covered as part of the focus on monitoring and
10 big data in the context of our focus and policy.

11 PARTICIPANT: Yes, this is an overarching
12 comment. I didn't really hear any discussion of
13 accuracy and I think you walked around it. But I

14 think that's very important for all three committees,
15 and it's certainly context oriented. And that to me
16 is an R&D question.

17 MR. HUNTER: Yeah, we actually did talk
18 about accuracy. I think Mike illustrated that the
19 sensor capability and some of the things that ... to
20 the 3.5 initiative when we were measuring radar
21 emissions. So that's going to have a very different
22 impact whereas if you're monitoring, say disparate

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1 systems in 1780 to 1850 ... reports. It was
2 discussed in the group, we just didn't have that
3 here.

4 MR. CHAPIN: Okay. For the policy group
5 what I'm interested in hearing is -- well let me
6 start a different way. Inherent in policy is
7 debates. There is going to be a debate. There is
8 going to be people who have different points of view
9 and want different outcomes. The goal of the
10 spectrum characterization would be to inform those
11 debates. People in the debate are not happy with the
12 direction that it's going are going to attack or
13 challenge the spectrum characterization data that's
14 pushing ...

15 So my question would be, from the policy
16 perspective, what aspects of the spectrum
17 characterization need to be really good to stand up
18 to that kind of pressure? If you think about the
19 debate that's going to happen at 1755 or ... and so

20 on, can you help us to understand what we need to do
21 better on the implementation side or from the
22 research side so that those policy debates don't just

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1 simply evolve into argument about what the data
2 means?

3 MR. McDONALD: I'll answer that question
4 in a macro -- ... in a micro, whatever, the idea of
5 being best practices from the Center for Advanced
6 Communications is a step to start addressing that.
7 At a micro level -- we didn't talk about this, this
8 is my own personal opinion. I think monitoring in
9 the absence of context may drive a lot of those give
10 and takes and arguments over what the data is
11 actually telling you.

12 And, John, I'll return the favor and be --
13 the scenario you put forth with looking at a public
14 safety event and the ramp up and ramp down and all
15 that, I think it was anecdotal when it actually
16 occurred, someone from the public safety organization
17 said, you would have expected a ramp up on all the
18 public safety frequencies during an event. But what
19 may happen -- may have actually happened, is the
20 control channels were completely saturated, so there
21 wasn't an opportunity to fill up all those channels.
22 So, you know just looking at data, I agree, there are

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1 going to be arguments over how to interpret that
2 theory. You need to bring the context in there and
3 the operational aspects of what that data is telling
4 you is key to that.

5 MR. HUNTER: Yeah, I think just to add to
6 that, one of the pieces we talked about is you've got
7 to build that trust. And I think that that starts
8 with collaboration. I think if you're out there
9 doing monitoring, you're trying to solve a particular
10 issue. You know, right now in some respects, I mean,
11 there is a level of collaboration, but it's not where
12 it needs to be in the context of trying to drive
13 policy. So, you know, so industry just embarked on a
14 monitor effort, you know, were we get work out the --
15 working with the DOD about a year ago we also
16 characterized the UE missions in the Q4 of last year.
17 So, you really have to get by. And I think from the
18 incumbent operators to really make sure that you
19 address all of the upfront parameters and assumptions
20 that go into whatever your test plan may be. And we
21 did some of that. Certainly I think with respect to
22 some of the transparency of information, particularly

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1 around the sensitive or otherwise classified systems,
2 I think, need to be maybe in a smaller group for both
3 sides to have a better understanding as to what
4 you're trying to do.

5 MR. ROBERSON: Good.

6 PARTICIPANT: I just want to say a few
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7 words.

8 (Simultaneous conversation.)

9 PARTICIPANT: I just wanted to say a few
10 words to John's question and really it ties to the
11 model that you were looking to develop. So, we've
12 done some work about modeling spectrum usage in terms
13 of random processes and in particular renewal
14 processes. And you use that sort of set up to
15 basically describe the spectrum usage as ones and
16 zeros and then you can push that on to -- push the
17 matter forward to get to actually competence
18 intervals on the data on, for instance, a band
19 occupancy or channel occupancy mean estimate. So I
20 think basically what I'm saying is, when you make
21 these measurements you can put confidence bars on
22 there which depends on how long you're measuring for

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1 and how many independent samples that you have. And
2 so I think that that sort of framework is needed to
3 present the data.

4 Obviously there's a lot of assumptions
5 that go under those mathematical models and things
6 like that. But I think that there is a need to
7 address that in the research as we go forward.

8 PARTICIPANT: (Off microphone.) from the A
9 systems and also ... so we were having this debate in
10 sensing for a long time and it's really nice to ...
11 in the room ... sensing and monitoring. One of the
12 things that we -- I mean, one thing that I ... how

13 can we make this a really commercial success of this
14 whole sensing system; you know. But just the
15 Internet ... we had some discussion in our group, I
16 mean, just like, for example, if I put a solar panel
17 on my house and I put the energy back into the
18 system, the grid ... the same as I ... sensor for a
19 \$3,000 sensor on the top of my house and destroy my
20 roof and get those ugly ... could I get this ...
21 information and I put it back into the grid, can I
22 get some money out of it? How can we make it a

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1 commercial success with any house all over the U.S.
2 and all over the world for a sensor and give us this
3 information. So, I don't understand that on how that
4 can be made possible and whether it's going just to
5 ... system or is it going to be going commercial ...

6 MR. ROBERSON: I'm not sure whether that's
7 a -- which one of the groups that really was?

8 MR. DEMBROWSKI: I'm not sure by group but
9 I was going to say in the enforcement discussion we
10 did talk a little bit about that sort of incentive
11 approach. And one of the thoughts was, by having
12 those that have used the network and ... getting
13 whether it's a grant or some sort of incentive for
14 either providing secondary data, noise ...
15 measurements ... bit error rates that they're seeing
16 on the network. And by providing that and/or
17 identifying bad actors on the network, there could be
18 some incentives brought that way. And that was one

19 way we were looking it, you know, in terms of
20 enforcement of ways of bringing some financial
21 payouts to folks. So we didn't -- we brought the ...
22 but everybody decided not to is the wrong approach.

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1 (Laughter.)

2 MR. DEMBROWSKI: Wrong word.

3 (Laughter.)

4 PARTICIPANT: All right. Well, I'm Joe
5 Winfield from Argon. Hear a lot of discussion today
6 about opening up the 3.5 gigahertz of band to share
7 with Navy radar, sharing with commercial users, but I
8 haven't heard very much from the Navy perspective.
9 What I was wondering -- this sort of a policy
10 question -- is what can be done -- I'd imagine the
11 Navy would have some concerns about that. What could
12 be done in terms of test analysis ... were to address
13 this sort of ...?

14 PARTICIPANT: (Off microphone.)

15 (Laughter.)

16 MR. McDONALD: I'm not Navy.

17 PARTICIPANT: John's no longer at NTIA.

18 MR. McDONALD: And I wasn't involved in
19 some of the preliminary exclusions or activities, I
20 suspect personal opinion that monitoring may help
21 gather the -- you know, create the technical data to
22 revisit some of those exclusion zones in terms of

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1 what assumptions were made and possibly reducing the
2 size of those exclusions ... open up more spectrum,
3 more spatial ... for other users -- other uses of 3.5
4 gigahertz.

5 PARTICIPANT: Just kind of sharing
6 observations that's been kind of bothering me with a
7 lot of discussions. It will never be possible to
8 know spectrum utilization for all frequencies in all
9 places at all times.

10 (Laughter.)

11 PARTICIPANT: A lot of the ... you get on
12 your measurements is exactly the problem; right? And
13 I feel like some of the discussion is, well, we don't
14 know everything, so we can't proceed. And a perfect
15 strike for knowledge is a prerequisite for doing any
16 dynamic sharing or whatever you want to call. We
17 should all pack up and go home. I'd like to see a
18 discussion about what's good enough knowledge. And
19 with good enough, what do you need to do in terms of
20 revenues and verifications to get there?

21 But we will never know everything in all
22 places in all times. And I don't know what the bar

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1 is, so it's very, very hard to receive it ... have
2 thoughts along those lines.

3 MR. DEMBROWSKI: I'll do real quickly on
4 the enforcement side we did talk about along those

5 lines because what we were thinking about was a lot
6 of discussion was centered around the shutting down
7 or hardening of the software. And also, how do we
8 make sure we're getting the bad actors when all these
9 good actors are here. And the thought was, well, we
10 have control of the good actors, so we can shut down
11 the good actors, and that way we would identify the
12 bad actors.

13 So there was a bit of a back and forth on
14 that. And someone said --

15 PARTICIPANT: Open the doors of the prison
16 and --

17 MR. DEMBROWSKI: Exactly. Exactly. You
18 know, exactly.

19 (Laughter.)

20 MR. DEMBROWSKI: So the real back and
21 forth was, okay, if we can at least do that, that
22 should be good enough to at least test and see if

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1 that does enough to keep the neighborhood a nice
2 neighborhood. We made an analogy to neighborhood
3 watch. We are now creating neighborhood watch where
4 everybody self-reports on each other and hopefully
5 keeps a nice community. And let's see if that works
6 in sort of an enforcement model for spectrum sharing.
7 And let's not worry about the bad actors and the fact
8 we can't find jammers, we can't find that emission
9 spurs, we can't find every single guy who doesn't
10 identify himself as a hacker to us and holds a sign

11 out that says I'm a hacker, to move forward at least
12 take a step forward even though we don't have all the
13 answers right now.

14 MR. STANFORTH: So first I'll probably
15 agree -- excuse me, agree with you entirely. You
16 know, we got to earn the trust of those incumbents.
17 I mean, a brief story about the TV whitespace. When
18 I first went and did something, the broadcaster stood
19 up and they put up a big black and white slide of two
20 trains that have smashed into each other.

21 (Laughter.)

22 MR. STANFORTH: Saying, look, these people

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1 do this and this is what will happen.

2 (Laughter.)

3 MR. STANFORTH: Four or five years later,
4 and that itself is a crime, actually the biggest
5 users and the biggest commercial user of our system
6 today, our whitespace system are the broadcaster.
7 Right? Because it took a while, but we finally
8 convinced them that we actually did know what we were
9 doing and that we knew what we were supposed to do.
10 And we actually had a system that better understood
11 their use of the spectrum than they did. And so they
12 come to us looking for answers. But it didn't happen
13 overnight and Ira's sitting there in the back and I
14 remember Ira with a full head of hair when we
15 started.

16 (Laughter.)

17 (Simultaneous conversation.)
18 MR. DEMBROWSKI: But I'd love to do
19 something tomorrow, but I think we have to do
20 something, we have to get the incumbents involved and
21 do something with them now because otherwise we'll be
22 talking about this in another ten years.

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1 MR. ROBERSON: Okay. Our time is
2 fleeting, so what I think we -- I think we'll go
3 ahead and open it up for questions, because the
4 questions seem to not be centered so specifically on
5 policy. So we'll now ask questions that go across.
6 So you can choose to ask those questions that you
7 have and we'll go for about ten more minutes on
8 questions.
9 PARTICIPANT: (Off microphone.) Hi, this
10 is Glen from the NSF. So the NSF fund several places
11 where we're doing spectrum sharing. We don't
12 distribute those data in any ... format for
13 nonastronomers, but you can imagine that ... on what
14 we would assume to be a perpetrator would be
15 something that we shared our data ... with other
16 services. And so that would be a way of developing.
17 We can't triangulate ... I'm really curious about who
18 is keeping that data? Is it sort of everybody has
19 their own database and is there any progress on sort
20 of ... uniform location?
21 MR. ROBERSON: Great question. John?
22 MR. CHAPIN: I will say that -- as I said,

1 one of our key discussion items for the government to
2 potentially be involved in funding was the whole
3 system of monitoring systems topic. And what you're
4 describing there is exactly the kinds of issues that
5 the government would appropriately be involved in
6 sponsoring the development and ... representations
7 met those exchange protocols. And I do recall Dale's
8 comment from earlier today that he was aware already
9 of fairly significant amounts of monitor data ever
10 being developed in the silos. Perhaps the folks who
11 have that data would be interested in sharing it if
12 there were common ways of doing that so that it
13 wasn't -- or it was a high valued effort on their
14 part to take part in that format. But, yes, we agree
15 that that's an important area for progress.

16 MR. DEMBROWSKI: And didn't we also
17 discuss that in the enforcement discussion as well,
18 to see whether there was some mechanism, either the
19 federal government involved, or the commercial
20 parties involved, everybody involved, to sort of
21 aggregate monitoring information, but we also
22 discussed the issues associated with folks wanting to

1 share that data in some cases because not everybody
2 wants to share that data.

3 MR. ROBERSON: Other questions or comments
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4 or -- now moving into the point that you can see that
5 maybe you can slowly scroll up the set of proposal
6 there. The group can look as well ... suggest
7 enhancements to the list of questions. We'll look to
8 add to those questions or answer the ones that are
9 there which is basically what you just did ...

10 MR. TENHULA: So my question is to get to
11 the ten billion foot level and look at this as a
12 problem that is a resource management problem or a
13 resource monitoring problem. And there have been
14 other resource monitoring problems that have been
15 solved. Air pollution, water, stream monitoring.
16 There's huge federal programs and state-level
17 programs as well to monitor stream flows. There's --
18 to monitor air pollution, there's tons of other
19 resources... traffic we see -- we go across the
20 rubber hoses all the time. You know, I'm sure
21 they're monitoring us; right? That replaced a human
22 being, you know, that used to count the cars that

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1 went by. So there's all the fricking monitors out
2 there, you see them in these orange things with two
3 wheels on them anchored into the thing, you know,
4 wondering what that's monitor; right? You see a
5 camera on that and ... can that -- can those
6 experiences somehow be leveraged, find those guys and
7 put those programs together, AI's or whoever they
8 are, and get the lessons learned from them and say,
9 you guys been monitoring these resources for a long

10 time with likely a lot of federal dollars, how'd you
11 do it?

12 So that would be my question. How do you
13 reach out to those kinds of --

14 MR. ROBERSON: That could be a research
15 topic. Any comments from the panel?

16 MR. McDONALD: So I think to repeat what
17 someone said, half the solution is defining the
18 problem. I think those monitoring systems you
19 referred to have a well-defined answer we're looking
20 for. And I'll go back to the monitoring for the sake
21 of monitoring. It might not get too far without some
22 question that we're trying to answer with monitoring.

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1 MR. SUBRAMANIAN: I think one of the
2 things we've just been talked about is from a
3 spectrum usage measurement ... and what are the
4 policies that need to be associated with handling
5 data, how you store the data, how you share the data.
6 I think that's a huge thing which is really not
7 understood. There seems to be necessity for doing
8 it, but then how it is to be done. I think that
9 discussion ...

10 MR. CHAPIN: Yes, again, we did discuss
11 that in the implementation group. Question like how
12 long should you retain the data? That's a research
13 question. And what -- how much obfuscation do you do
14 on the data before you start? It means it's spatial
15 or temporal, is it averaging, or de-identification.

16 There's a lot of things that come into that. We
17 didn't have any answers, but it seemed clear that
18 that was a critical question.

19 MR. ROBERSON: So it's a key research
20 topic we need to make sure --

21 PARTICIPANT: It goes in the other action
22 section.

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1 PARTICIPANT: One other comment about
2 monitoring is I work with an agency where if you went
3 and monitored live spectrum usage, it might be one
4 day out of 365 that we would actually be up on a
5 particular channel in a particular area. So there
6 would be a conclusion drawn from that I don't need
7 that. But I need it when I need it. There's no
8 other substitute for that when you're at an apportion
9 base. You have to keep ... and incumbent users'
10 mission in context of what you measure.

11 MR. HUNTER: Yes, Stan, just a comment to
12 that. I think you were well represented by the FBI
13 in our working group. So they made that very point
14 and I think it's a valid one. You certainly need to
15 look at operational missions and how that spectrum is
16 utilized from the onset.

17 MR. ROBERSON: Final chance? Rangam is
18 going to take it?

19 (Laughter.)

20 MR. SUBRAMANIAN: I'm guess this must have
21 ... the big data and the intensive computing, it's an

22 extremely important issue along with the data usage

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1 initiative. How important it is and what kind of
2 interdisciplinary research just connecting these
3 three needs to happen. I think it's a humongous
4 problem that needs to resolve. Because ... I don't
5 think the whole spectrum sharing issue can be
6 resolved. Mainly you're talking about a wider
7 spectrum ...

8 MR. CHAPIN: I guess I'll take it again.
9 Our group discussed about that in terms of the total
10 cost of ownership. So it's not just the sensor head,
11 it's the data reduction and the ... that sits right
12 behind that that sucks down a gigabyte of data per
13 second and does something with it. It's the storage,
14 it's the processing, it's the people, it's the
15 deployment and the maintenance. The total cost of
16 ownership is what you have to focus on getting to
17 something that is in line with the benefits that are
18 provided to the nation's problem with sensor

19 (Simultaneous conversation.)

20 MR. DEMBROWSKI: Yeah, we also did it in
21 enforcement and I think in addition to sort of the
22 equipment costs, we also talked a lot about the

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1 personnel costs because you have an enforcement

2 issue. You can do as much automation as you want to,
3 but at some point you're probably going to have to
4 have boots on the ground that are actually going to
5 stop people from doing things. So there's a person
6 cost in terms of actually shutting down issues, so at
7 some point --

8 MR. ROBERSON: Okay. Not seeing any more
9 hands raised, we'll move into the lightning round to
10 close. And the lightning round is that we have a set
11 of questions and I'll have the group read through the
12 question and make any modifications that you would
13 like to make as to the actionable research questions
14 or proposals.

15 (Simultaneous conversation.)

16 MR. ROBERSON: And please, the whole
17 audience take a look at what's there because what
18 we're going to do at the end is to actually rate
19 these by the time-honored raising of the hands.

20 (Pause.)

21 MR. ROBERSON: This will obviously give us
22 a straw vote. Not a final, but I had some more

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1 exotic technology that I was thinking about, but
2 we'll just use this for now.

3 So, Howard, John are you okay with what's
4 written?

5 MR. McDONALD: The second one, leveraging
6 the pilot, the WSRD SSG will work on talking about
7 what entity or organization -- forum, if you will --

8 would do that leveraging, creating the charter and
9 the scope of what ... forum might be.

10 PARTICIPANT: (Off microphone.)

11 PARTICIPANT: (Off microphone.) -- data
12 analytics as well.

13 PARTICIPANT: (Off microphone.) Do you
14 have data analytics in yours?

15 MR. CHAPIN: The analytics? No, we did
16 not put the analytics themselves.

17 MR. McDONALD: I think that's one research
18 area -- data analytics. Make sense out of ... data
19 were collected ...

20 MR. ROBERSON: Do you want to add ...

21 PARTICIPANT: No, that's fine. I just
22 wanted to make sure it was captured in a little more

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1 detail.

2 MR. ROBERSON: Okay. You might number
3 those one through three. I'm not sure, is the first
4 one a question. The first one is a question.

5 PARTICIPANT: No, the first one isn't a
6 question.

7 MR. ROBERSON: Make sure the second one is
8 a question. Which ones are questions?

9 PARTICIPANT: The last -- the third one is
10 the question. The fourth is the data analytics we
11 discussed. The first two are just bits of things
12 that I pulled out.

13 MR. ROBERSON: But is the third a question

14 from your perspective? A research question?

15 MR. SUBRAMANIAN: The second is a --

16 (Simultaneous conversation.)

17 PARTICIPANT: It's an action.

18 PARTICIPANT: It's the last one that's the
19 research area.

20 MR. ROBERSON: Well, the third from the
21 last is also -- would seem like a research question.
22 But it's -- you're specifying who is going to do the

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1 research. It's still a research question; right?

2 The best monitoring practices, you're
3 researching to understand what the best monitoring
4 practices are. It's preassigned who you would pick
5 to do that. So maybe we could number those one and
6 two under the center there. Because we're going to
7 vote so I can have something to point to.

8 Okay. Group two, let's go down to the --

9 PARTICIPANT: Dennis, is data analytics
10 the specific thing Mark talked about this morning or
11 is it data analytics in general? Is it lower case
12 data analytics or is it upper case?

13 (Simultaneous conversation.)

14 PARTICIPANT: I'm trying to remember what
15 --

16 PARTICIPANT: In other words, he talked
17 about something, a Ph.D. up a Harvard Business School
18 is doing very specifically in something called
19 business analytics 3.0 which is very specific --

20 PARTICIPANT: Yeah, it was not that.

21 PARTICIPANT: Okay. So we're probably --

22 we may want to lower case it so we're --

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1 PARTICIPANT: I just want to add something
2 to that. That the ... (unintelligible) and
3 essentially looks at ... context that help to
4 understand what we've only begun.

5 PARTICIPANT: I've not heard big RF
6 terminology.

7 PARTICIPANT: That's a new word that we
8 came up with.

9 MR. ROBERSON: At the wind forum that I
10 attended.

11 (Laughter.)

12 MR. ROBERSON: Okay. Group two, and
13 hopefully you're working it. Any --

14 MR. DEMBROWSKI: Well, we're trying to
15 figure out how to rework that first one there.
16 Because the point we're trying to get at is, yeah, in
17 boundaries of --

18 PARTICIPANT: Trust boundaries.

19 MR. DEMBROWSKI: Yeah, boundaries of trust
20 and research in terms of that. Yeah.

21 PARTICIPANT: And hardening of platforms
22 so you can trust what they'll do.

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1 MR. DEMBROWSKI: Exactly. Exactly.

2 MR. ROBERSON: In particular members of
3 these groups, please, be prepared to chime in.

4 MR. DEMBROWSKI: To be able to trust what
5 they will do. To trust what they will do.

6 PARTICIPANT: Okay. To trust what they
7 will do.

8 MR. HUNTER: I guess an example of
9 thinking of our maps, kind of the evolution of DFS in
10 the context of the new paradigm that's coming out
11 with -- what comes to mind is 802.11AC and how you
12 evolve that. I mean, obvious DFS is not without it's
13 faults. But I think to the news point about how good
14 is good enough. It's obviously a very successful
15 platform and it's ... that we are seeing some
16 challenges as we evolve that.

17 MR. CHAPIN: If I understood Dale and
18 their group appropriately, the real issue is that you
19 don't want software hackers to be able to break into
20 devices too easily and change their behavior. So you
21 want one that had some high confidence that unless
22 somebody with great resources attacks the platform,

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1 it will continue to behave in the way it --

2 (Simultaneous conversation.)

3 MR. CHAPIN: -- is that correct?

4 PARTICIPANT: And you don't want your ...
5 to be larger than necessary because you may hurt
6 innovation.

7 PARTICIPANT: Balancing.

8 MR. DEMBROWSKI: And I think in the third
9 one, what we're really talking about secondary data
10 collection from the devices themselves, the third
11 question there. So it's -- so get rid of the
12 "further in terms of" so how do we use crowd
13 sourcing?

14 To gather secondary measurements data.

15 And for use on -- so get rid of
16 particularly down to the -- keep the "for use" on the
17 enforcement side. There you go. I think that's -- I
18 think the other one is fine from our perspective.

19 MR. ROBERSON: Okay. Any --

20 PARTICIPANT: I would like to talk about
21 the last one a little bit. This is regarding
22 question four. I mean, there is a question of where

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1 the funds come from, but it's a broader context about
2 studying the cost of implementing enforcement systems
3 of different kinds. So it's an issue of right size
4 and costs to the enforcement problem as well as the
5 question of how do you fund enforcement mechanisms
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7 MR. ROBERSON: I think this was something
8 you said earlier Dale.

9 (Simultaneous conversation.)

10 MR. ROBERSON: Reducing the cost or
11 providing the funding, those two complimentary --

12 PARTICIPANT: Some combination of the two;
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13 yes.

14 PARTICIPANT: Yeah, so reword it.

15 MR. ROBERSON: Okay. Go ahead.

16 PARTICIPANT: So a research question might
17 be modeling the costs of enforcement and determining
18 sources of funding implement; how does that sound?

19 MR. ROBERSON: Yeah.

20 Okay. Great. Any final costs from group
21 two?

22 (No response.)

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1 MR. ROBERSON: Okay. Let's roll up to
2 group three.

3 MR. CHAPIN: All right. The first one you
4 could just say, AWS3 auction, you can delete the rest
5 of that.

6 PARTICIPANT: The key there was that we
7 could maybe use auction revenues to fund some of the
8 research.

9 MR. CHAPIN: All right. So just leave
10 that there.

11 Yeah, that's fine. The second one, the
12 deploy monitoring in a few vertical ... data of high
13 policy value.

14 This is a question to Dennis. The next
15 one really is -- those are three detailed
16 suggestions. I don't know if you would like us to
17 split them apart for the voting or leave them.

18 (Pause.)

19 MR. CHAPIN: I'm wondering for
20 implementation those are three separate things, do
21 you want folks to vote on them separately as three or
22 one?

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1 MR. ROBERSON: I think so. Yeah.

2 MR. CHAPIN: Okay. So --

3 MR. ROBERSON: So let's number one, two,
4 and then divide the implementation into three, four,
5 and five.

6 PARTICIPANT: Yes.

7 MR. ROBERSON: At the semi colon -- link
8 becomes four. The link is five. The next link is
9 five.

10 MR. CHAPIN: Or it should be link
11 monitoring and sharing experiments.

12 And then measure better. Number six is
13 measure better. And I should say there are about ten
14 really interesting things that we didn't list there.

15 (Laughter.)

16 MR. CHAPIN: No, I didn't give them to you
17 either verbally. And then seven is interaction down
18 below.

19 Yeah, seven is actually the sensing
20 challenge, I guess. So if you could go back up that
21 semi colon. Yeah.

22 (Pause.)

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1 MR. ROBERSON: Okay.

2 MR. CHAPIN: Yeah, that is all we shared
3 verbally.

4 MR. ROBERSON: Any comments from the group
5 about these research questions, the operations group
6 obviously overachieved, but they divided and
7 conquered the three groups so that they --

8 PARTICIPANT: ... research and the big
9 data computing section. No, I'm saying you ...
10 issues research and the big data ...

11 PARTICIPANT: I'm not following what
12 you're saying --

13 PARTICIPANT: I'm saying, we ... class,
14 how you treat the issues with the class and unclass
15 ...

16 PARTICIPANT: Classified and unclassified
17 data. But I don't know where you want that.

18 MR. CHAPIN: So, Ray, number eight I think
19 is what's our concrete and actionable recommendation
20 was to pick specific systems and analyze them in
21 detail which includes the security ...

22 MR. ROBERSON: Okay. We're going to make

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1 this really quick. The interrupt was that we thought
2 we had additional time. We have been informed that
3 it is expected that we will be out of this area at
4 six o'clock. So in order to facilitate that we're

5 going to do very quick voting. The voting will be
6 each of you have three votes. And we're going to
7 vote as quickly as we possibly can. Go to the top.
8 Three votes only. Look at the list. Hopefully you
9 were paying very close attention. I was going to
10 read through them, but we don't have time to do that.

11 So, how many of you would like to vote for
12 group one, proposal one?

13 (Showing of hands.)

14 MR. ROBERSON: Two people.

15 Okay. Put a two by that.

16 PARTICIPANT: Just a question. How do the
17 votes then get -- are we picking how many of these
18 questions in the end? Are we taking all these
19 questions in order?

20 MR. ROBERSON: We're going to see how --
21 you each have three votes, so your priorities are
22 three and we'll see how the voting comes out. The

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1 way I grade my classes, you know. Figure out --

2 (Simultaneous conversation.)

3 MR. ROBERSON: Fairly straightforward.

4 Don't cheat, that is on honor system.

5 Three votes only.

6 Okay. So data analytics. One, two,
7 three, four, five, six, seven, eight, nine, ten, 11,
8 12, 13, 14, 15, 16 and 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24
9 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 33, 34, 35, 36,
10 37, 38, plus or minus.

11 (Laughter.)
12 MR. ROBERSON: Okay. Group two, research
13 proposal one. Voting. One, two, three. Boy those
14 are slow coming. One, two, three, four, five, six,
15 seven, eight, nine, ten. Okay. Ten.
16 Group two, number two, votes up, hands up.
17 (Showing of hands.)
18 MR. ROBERSON: One, two.
19 How come you voted on every single one,
20 Mark?
21 (Laughter.)
22 MR. ROBERSON: Okay. Group two, number

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1 three.
2 (Showing of hands.)
3 MR. ROBERSON: One, two, three, four,
4 five, six, seven, eight, nine, ten, 11, 12, 13, 14,
5 15, 16, 17, 18.
6 Okay. Number four, group two, number
7 four.
8 (Showing of hands.)
9 MR. ROBERSON: One, two, three, four,
10 five, six, seven, eight, nine, ten.
11 Group three, number one?
12 (Showing of hands.)
13 MR. ROBERSON: Hands up?
14 (Showing of hands.)
15 MR. ROBERSON: Zero.
16 Oh, one. Okay.

17 PARTICIPANT: Plus or minus.
18 (Laughter.)
19 MR. ROBERSON: One.
20 Okay.
21 PARTICIPANT: Wouldn't that be a statutory
22 change?

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1 (Laughter.)
2 MR. ROBERSON: Group three, number two,
3 vote, hands up.
4 (Showing of hands.)
5 MR. ROBERSON: One, two, three, four,
6 okay, come on. Hands up, please.
7 (Showing of hands.)
8 MR. ROBERSON: One, two, three, four,
9 five, six, seven, eight, nine, ten, 11, 12, 13, 14,
10 15, 16 -- 16.
11 Number three, group three, number three,
12 implementation. Hands up.
13 (Showing of hands.)
14 MR. ROBERSON: I'm learning to wait a
15 little while. You guys are slow with that. One, two,
16 three, four, five, six, seven, eight, nine, ten, 11,
17 12, 13, 14.
18 Number four, hands up.
19 (Showing of hands.)
20 MR. ROBERSON: One, two, three. Okay.
21 Three.
22 Number five, link ... hands up.

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1 (Showing of hands.)
2 MR. ROBERSON: I am seeing no hands.
3 You've already exhausted your votes. Okay. Zero.
4 Number six.
5 (Showing of hands.)
6 MR. ROBERSON: One, two, yeah. One, two,
7 three, four, five, six, seven, eight, nine, ten, 11,
8 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24.
9 Okay. Number seven, getting close to the
10 end.
11 (Showing of hands.)
12 MR. ROBERSON: One, two, three, four,
13 five, six, seven, eight, nine.
14 And the final one, final vote. Those of
15 you who have not exhausted your vote, this is your
16 chance.
17 (Laughter.)
18 MR. ROBERSON: Number eight.
19 (Showing of hands.)
20 MR. ROBERSON: One, two, three, four,
21 five, six. Six.
22 Okay. Thank you all very, very much,

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1 especially for doing something very complicated in a
2 very short period of time. And I will now things off
3 to not Bob Barker.

4 (Laughter.)

5 MR. ROBERSON: Byron.

6 MR. BARKER: And everybody give Dennis a
7 round of applause.

8 (Applause.)

9 MR. BARKER: He did a really great job
10 with the timeframe. I know our battery is starting
11 getting low during the end of the day.

12 MR. ROBERSON: Not mine.

13 MR. BARKER: Yeah, you got a reception to
14 go to. Speaking of the reception, just for
15 everybody here, you're welcome to go to the
16 reception. It's over at Stafford, the main Stafford
17 place building in the atrium area there at the
18 restaurant that's right there co-located in the
19 atrium. It starts at six o'clock. I know Van is
20 here. Since we're kind of running short of time,
21 we've got to get you guys out of here. The intent is
22 to bring together the forum here with industry,

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1 academia, with the government side to talk about an
2 opportunity for collaboration through a stand up of
3 an industry consortium. And it provides another
4 opportunity that Van will discuss in his opening
5 remarks at the reception.

6 Just one little caveat with the reception,
7 for anybody that parked in this building, the
8 Stafford Two, you're going to -- and if you're
9 wanting to go to the reception, you're going to have

10 to move your car because after seven o'clock they
11 shut it completely down. I'm one of them, so I'm
12 going to have to move. The easiest is to move over
13 to Stafford Place.

14 PARTICIPANT: Move over to the Ballston
15 Mall and it's like a dollar for three hours. We'll
16 take care of it. That's probably the easiest, it's
17 just right across the street. And I apologize for
18 that. They told us differently as of today they
19 changed that. So we thought you were going to be
20 able to get out ... parking ticket, but now they're
21 saying after seven o'clock it's there until tomorrow.
22 If you can move your car, my suggestion is just to

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1 cross the street, the Ballston Mall. Very
2 inexpensive and then you can just walk right back
3 across.

4 MR. BARKER: So just to finish up, I just
5 want to close. I felt like what we've done today,
6 with what I had said at the beginning, kind of a
7 challenge that we need to look at ways that makes us
8 more effective, makes it a more meaningful and
9 sustainable and insanely affordable. I think we've
10 gotten some ideas of how we can look at that, some
11 research projects that can be explored and that we
12 could help in influencing that through our process
13 and planning through the administration, through our
14 nitrd construct. So I think it will be -- with our
15 influence through STP because we represent ... to STP

16 with Tom who is here. So I think we've gained a lot
17 out of today and the discussion. So a really good
18 forum that we had today.

19 (Applause.)

20 MR. ROBERSON: I also want to say, we're
21 already in the brainstorming session thoughts of our
22 next workshop. I just want to kind of plant a seed

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1 to kind of expect something probably six months from
2 now or so to looking at possibly ideas like to
3 discuss about incentives because that's a hot topic
4 right now. And we even have an offer by Stevens
5 Institute to host it up at New York City on Wall
6 Street. So that kind of ties in somewhat there. So
7 just kind of keep that for food for thought and we'll
8 maybe expect that.

9 So I want to thank everyone for giving
10 your time.

11 Yes, Dennis?

12 Oh, yes, the report, folks, particularly
13 Dennis, the planning committee team, Bill Horn from
14 NASA is going to be heavily involved to digesting all
15 this information and putting together an overall
16 findings report from this workshop. We should expect
17 it probably to be out in the next -- I don't want to
18 put any straight hard deadlines, but probably in the
19 next couple of months you could say.

20 So kind of expect that. And that will be
21 published on our website on our WSRD website.

22 MR. ROBERSON: We'll send an e-mail to let

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1 you know. And it will include, as an appendix, all
2 of John's charts.

3 (Laughter.)

4 MR. BARKER: So, I need to get you guys
5 released so you can get on out of here. We won't be
6 caught by security.

7 So thank you, everyone.

8 (Applause.)

9 (Whereupon, at 5:54 p.m., a meeting was
10 concluded.)

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