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Byron Barker serves within the Department of Commerce's National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA) Office of Spectrum Management as Chief of its Strategic Planning Division. His office has the responsibility to develop the long range strategic plans, policies and comprehensive strategies to ensure spectrum access for our nation's vital interests of national security, public safety and economic opportunity, now and in the future.

Mr. Barker provides overall program management responsibility in carrying out the President's mandate in identifying and making available 500 MHz of spectrum for wireless broadband services. He also serves as co-chair of the Wireless Spectrum R&D Senior Steering Group within the Networking & Information Technology R&D Committee.

Previous to coming NTIA, Mr. Barker served in Defense Information Systems Agency's (DISA) Defense Spectrum Organization (DSO). His responsibilities were concentrated on the development of the department's long-term spectrum strategies and comprehensive plans to include the development of the department's first enterprise architecture for spectrum management, serving as the framework in transforming spectrum management to support the Department's future operations.

Mr. Barker, originally an Oklahoma native, has spent the last thirteen years within the Washington DC area. He earned a Bachelor of Science Degree in Electrical Engineering from the University of Oklahoma and completed his post-graduate studies earning a Master's of Art in Computer Resources and Database Management at Webster University, St. Louis, MO.

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