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Dear Sirs/Ladies:

Sprint Nextel Corporation ("Sprint Nextel") appreciates the opportunity to provide comments to the Office of the Telecommunications Authority (TA) with regard to its recent consultation entitled *Licensing of Spectrum in the 850 MHz Band to Enable the Provision of CDMA2000 Service*.

Sprint Nextel's indirectly-held subsidiary, Sprint Hong Kong Limited, holds a PNETS-ETS license and a PNETS-IVANS license and provides international services in Hong Kong pursuant to the terms of those licenses. Globally, Sprint Nextel offers a comprehensive range of wireless and wireline communications services to consumer, business and government customers. Sprint Nextel is widely recognized for its engineering achievements and its innovative technologies, including two robust wireless networks in the United States offering industry leading mobile data services; instant national and international walkie-talkie capabilities; and a global Internet backbone.

Sprint Nextel supports the TA's proposal to make available the necessary spectrum in Hong Kong that would enable the provision of CDMA2000[®] service after November 20, 2008. CDMA2000 technologies facilitate the delivery of a wide range of voice and data services. CDMA2000 1xEV-DO Rev A, which is now available to Sprint Nextel customers in the United States, provides substantial capabilities in delivery times, enhanced quality of service, and improvements in downlink and uplink data rates, facilitating provisioning of new services, such as enhanced voice and multimedia services. Sprint Nextel believes that the availability of the services enabled by CDMA2000 1xEV-DO technologies will lead to greater consumer choice, and could serve as a catalyst for increased development of innovative applications for users in Hong Kong and elsewhere.

Furthermore, Sprint Nextel supports the TA's views expressed in ¶17 that CDMA service should continue to be available to visitors to Hong Kong, supporting Hong Kong's status as a great world city and a telecommunications hub in the Asia-Pacific region. Hong Kong is a popular destination for many of Sprint Nextel's 52 million customers, and with the wide selection of dual-mode phones supporting the 825-835 MHz/870-880 MHz and U.S. PCS bands currently available on the market, Sprint Nextel will be able to ensure that our customers can access their wireless services without interruption when in Hong Kong.

Sprint Nextel applauds the TA for its efforts to expand the availability of advanced wireless services to Hong Kong consumers to enhance Hong Kong's position as a world-class leader in telecommunication services. We appreciate the opportunity to express our views on these important matters.

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

Sincerely,



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