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Reference: *Canada Gazette Part I*, Vol. 138, Issue No. 40, page 2657, October 2, 2004, Government Notice No. DGTP-008-04, Revisions to Spectrum Utilization Policies in the 3-30 GHz Frequency Range and Further Consideration

Dear Sir:

M/A-COM, Inc. fully supports the decision by Industry Canada adding a primary allocation to the mobile service in the 4940-4990 MHz band and designating such allocation for fixed and mobile service in support of public safety.

M/A-COM notes the United States Federal Communications Commission (FCC) has already added a primary allocation for the mobile service in the 4940-4990 MHz band and has designated such allocation within the United States for fixed and mobile service in support of public safety. As a result M/A-COM has started development of product for the 4940-4990 MHz band, which products are being designed to meet the specific public safety requirements and at the same time leverage relevant consumer broadband technologies. Expanding access to the 4940-4990 MHz band for public safety in Canada provides an opportunity to Canadian public safety entities for greater product availability at an even lower cost due to increased vendor economies of scale.

M/A-COM strongly recommends Industry Canada initiate a consultation to adopt a future spectrum and licensing policy defining the service rules and technical specifications for the new allocation in the 4940-4990 MHz band as quickly as possible. We further recommend Industry Canada seriously consider adoption of service rules and technical specifications for the 4940-4990 MHz band that are equivalent to the service rules and technical rules for the 4940-4990 MHz band in the United States adopted by the FCC in 2003. The FCC rules for the 4940-4990 MHz band can be found in Title 47 of the Code of Federal Regulations (47 CFR), Part 90, Subpart Y.

If there are any questions, please contact the undersigned at (434) 455-9465

Sincerely,



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