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Re: Comments of Agere Systems to the *Final Proposals on the Proposed Consolidated Wireless Telegraphy Licence-Exemption Regulation*

Dear Mr. Redwin:

Agere Systems hereby respectfully submits its comments on the *Final Proposals on the Proposed Consolidated Wireless Telegraphy Licence-Exemption Regulation*, recently issued by the Secretary of State and the Radiocommunications Agency ("the RA") to seek final comments on the final proposal ("the Consultation").

Agere Systems is a leading manufacturer of integrated circuit chipsets for Radio Local Area Networks ("RLANs") that are compatible with the IEEE 802.11 standards, and applauds the proposals set forth in the Consultation.

We offer comment specifically on the proposal in the Consultation to allow both public and private service to operate on a license exempt basis in the 5150-5350 and 5470-5725 MHz bands, which were designated under the ERC 99(23) Decision for use by RLANs.

Because of the nature of RLAN equipment characteristics, protocols, and other technical factors, we see no compelling need to differentiate between privately operated RLAN facilities and facilities operated by third parties to provide network access to the public. In fact, facilitating the ability for third parties to provide such public "hot spot" services without unnecessary regulatory burdens will help to stimulate the adoption of and increase the utility of RLANs to both consumers and business travelers.

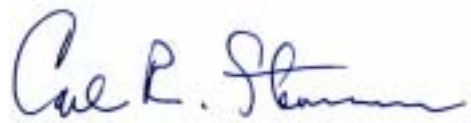
The technical requirements that must be met by equipment operating in these bands, as specified in the *UK Interface Requirement IR 2006 (Draft)*, including the “*interim arrangement*,” are, in our opinion, sufficient to assure that RLAN systems, whether public or private, operate in a manner that will not be disruptive to each other, or to other users of the spectrum.

Increasing the flexibility of use of RLAN systems in the manner proposed in the Consultation will allow the provision of public services at greater data rates than is currently possible and will stimulate further product innovation, allow manufacturers to reduce costs through economies of scale in manufacturing, and extend the utility of RLANs by allowing the public access to the Internet with greater flexibility and mobility.

Thus, Agere Systems believes that the regulatory consolidation and simplification contemplated in the Consultation is well-considered, appropriate, and will serve the interests of consumers and businesses alike.

Should you have any questions regarding this filing, please direct them to the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Carl R. Stevenson". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first letters of each name being capitalized and prominent.

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