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Honorable Chellie Pingree, Congresswoman  
Representative to Congress  
1037 Longworth House Office Building  
Washington DC 20515-1901

Honorable Chellie Pingree,

I am writing you today on behalf of the Maine Fire Chiefs Association. Our Association represents Fire and EMS services in every county of the State of Maine. We are asking you to strongly support the D-Block spectrum, which is a segment of the 10-MHz radio spectrum that the fire service needs.

The D Block would benefit public safety in several ways:

- It would provide a nationwide system that benefits urban, suburban and rural departments.
- It would enable downloading of building diagrams, fire systems and other incident-specific resources.
- It would allow for transmission of patient condition metrics to emergency care facilities while en route.
- It would lay the groundwork for the future migration to mission-critical voice communication.

I appreciate your consideration on this important fire service issue. I would be happy to answer any questions you may have.

Respectfully,

Darrel G. Fournier  
Correspondence Secretary  
Maine Fire Chiefs Association