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Dean Brenner is Senior Vice President, Spectrum Strategy & Technology Policy for Qualcomm Incorporated, one of the world's leading wireless technology companies. He directs Qualcomm's global spectrum strategy and tech policy initiatives. He represents Qualcomm before the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) and other United States and Canadian agencies responsible for spectrum and technology policy, and he oversees Qualcomm's global spectrum and tech policy work.

For the past 18 years, he has led Qualcomm's successful efforts to win regulatory approval for many new wireless technologies, including the world's first deployments of 4G in unlicensed spectrum; the world's first deployments of supplemental downlink for faster downloads; the world's first mobile video network on 700 MHz spectrum; the first deployment in the US of cellular vehicle-to-everything (C-V2X) technology; and, the allocation of numerous spectrum bands for 3G, 4G, and 5G around the world.

Mr. Brenner has unique expertise in spectrum auctions. He led Qualcomm's winning bidding team in spectrum auctions held in India (2.3 GHz band), the US (Lower 700 MHz band), and the United Kingdom (L Band). He headed the regulatory team which obtained the approvals to sell Qualcomm's spectrum licenses in all three countries. He was responsible for obtaining the regulatory approvals for Qualcomm's sale of Lower 700 MHz spectrum to AT&T in 2011.

Mr. Brenner has testified four times at US Senate and House of Representatives committee hearings on spectrum policy issues. He has spoken at spectrum policy conferences in the United States, Canada, South Korea, China, Belgium, Great Britain, Hong Kong, Spain, and Israel. He has also recorded numerous podcasts on spectrum policy issues. He joined Qualcomm in November 2003, after working at a large Washington DC law firm and founding his own law firm.

Mr. Brenner received his A.B. degree, magna cum laude with distinction in public policy studies, from Duke University in 1982. He won a prize for the best paper on communications policy, and he was a recipient of a four-year CBS Scholarship. He received his J.D., cum laude, from Georgetown University in 1985.

Mr. Brenner is a member of the National Board of Directors of the Alzheimer's Association, and the Board of Directors of the local National Capital Area Region Chapter. He has advocated before federal policymakers on Alzheimer's-related issues numerous times, and he has testified seven times before the District of Columbia Council on local Alzheimer's-related legislation. He also created and leads Qualcomm's initiatives to support employees with a connection to Alzheimer's.

Mr. Brenner is also a member of the Duke University Library Advisory Board and Co-Chair of the US Policy Task Force of the 5G Automotive Association. In addition, he belongs to many wireless industry working groups. He has previously been a member of the Board of Trustees of the Field School in Washington DC.