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(<u>UNDER SEAL</u>)

A. INTRODUCTION

I, Jane Smith, an Assistant United States Attorney in the Northern District of California, hereby apply to the Court for an order:

1. Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. §§ 3122 and 3123, authorizing [installation and] [continued] use of a pen register and trap and trace device, on the instrument or facility

A "pen register" is a "device or process which records or decodes dialing, routing, addressing, or signaling information transmitted by an instrument or facility from which a wire or electronic communication is transmitted, provided, however, that such information shall not include the contents of any communication ..." 18 U.S.C. § 3127(3). A "trap and trace device" is "a device or process which captures the incoming electronic or other impulses which identify the originating number" or other identifiers "reasonably likely to identify the source of a wire or electronic communication, provided, however, that such information not include the contents of any

a. For the Target Device, records or other information pertaining to subscribers or customers, including cell site information⁴ and toll or call detail records⁵ (including in two-way radio feature mode) for the sixty (60) days prior to the date the Order is filed by the Court⁶ (but not including the contents of communications).

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Thus, this reference applies if the Target Device is transferred (i.e. "ported") to another telephone carrier, but the telephone number and subscriber information remain the same.

- VoIP is essentially a type of hardware and/or software (provided, for example, by Qwest Communications, SBC Communications, Sprint-Nextel, and Verizon Wireless) that allows people to use the Internet as a transmission medium for telephone calls. In general, this means sending voice information in the form of digital packets of information rather than sending it through the traditional public switch telephone network.
- A cell phone must send a radio signal to an antenna tower which, in turn, is connected to the provider's network. The area covered by the tower varies depending, inter alia, on the population density of the area. This area is often divided into thirds, or 120 degree sectors. "Cell site information" as used in this Application refers to the antenna tower and sector to which the cell phone sends its signal. This includes the physical location and/or address of the cellular tower and identification of the particular sector of the tower receiving the signal. This information does not provide the specific or precise geographical coordinates of the Target Device.
- "Call detail records" are similar to toll records (i.e. historical telephone records of telephone activity, usually listing outgoing calls and date, time, and duration of each call), which are made and retained in the ordinary course of business. "Call detail records" is the term used when referring to toll records of mobile telephones rather than hardline telephones. Unlike toll records, however, call detail records also include a record of incoming calls and the cellsite/sectors used by the mobile telephone to obtain service for a call or when in an idle state.
- As used herein, "the date the Order is filed by the Court" is the date indicated by the clerk's file stamp on the first page of the Order.

For the Target Device, after receipt and storage, records or other

assigned. Therefore, if the target exchanges his mobile phone for an updated model and/or

changes his phone number, but retains his SIM card, the IMSI will remain the same. The IMEI is

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and Urban Fleet Mobile Identifiers (UFMIs);¹⁰ and subscriber information (published, non-published, listed, or unlisted) associated with these service changes.

3. This Application does not seek (1) any cell site information that might be available when the Target Device is turned "on" but a call is not in progress; (2) information that would allow the government to triangulate¹¹ multiple antenna tower locations and thereby attempt to determine the precise location of the user of the Target Device, even if such location could be determined by said technique; or (3) Global Positioning System (GPS)¹² information regarding the location of the Target Device, even if that technology is built into the Target Device.

B. CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO 18 U.S.C. §§ 3122 AND 3123

4. 18 U.S.C. § 3122(b)(2) provides that a court may issue an order for a pen register or a trap or trace device when an attorney for the government certifies that "the information likely to be obtained is relevant to an ongoing criminal investigation being conducted by (a law enforcement agency.)" In support of this Application, I state the following:

similar to a serial number and uniquely identifies the mobile phone device itself.

- The UFMI is the unique telephone number associated with the two-way radio ("walkie-talkie") feature. Mobile telephones with this feature thus have two identifiable telephone numbers: the Mobile Identification Number (MIN) and the UFMI. Like a pen register or trap and trace on the MIN, a pen register or trap and trace on the UFMI will not disclose the contents of the call.
- "Triangulation" refers to a technique involving the use of information received from the Telephone Service Providers regarding the strength, angle, and timing of the Target Device's signal measured at two or more cell site locations to attempt to determine the precise location of the user of the Target Device,
- A GPS device receives radio signals from satellites and uses those signals to calculate the geographic position of the instrument or facility which carries it, which position can be transmitted to the Telephone Service Providers via the cellular telephone network. When a GPS device receives signals from at least four NAVSTAR (Naval Signal Timing and Ranging) satellites, it can mathematically calculate the device's latitude, longitude, and altitude with a high level of precision.

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- 5. I am an "attorney for the Government" as defined in Rule 1(b)(1)(B) of the Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure, and therefore, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 3122, may apply for an order authorizing the installation and use of pen registers and trap and trace devices.
- 6. I certify that the information likely to be obtained from the pen register and trap and trace device on the Target Device is relevant to an ongoing criminal investigation being conducted by the Investigative Agency in connection with possible violations of federal criminal statutes, including [insert code sections] by [list names of targets] and others.
- 7. Therefore, based upon the above Certification, and pursuant to 18 U.S.C. §§ 3122 and 3123, I request that the Court issue an order authorizing:
- a. The Investigative Agency [to install, or cause the provider to install, and use,] [to continue to use] a pen register device to record or decode dialing, routing, addressing, or signaling information transmitted¹³ from the Target Device, to record the date and time of such dialings or transmissions, and to record the length of time the telephone receiver in question is "off the hook" or connected for incoming or outgoing calls, for a period of sixty (60) days from the date the order is filed by the Court.
- b. The Investigative Agency [to install, or cause the provider to install, and use,] [to continue to use] a trap and trace device on the Target Device to capture and record the incoming electronic or other impulses which identify the originating numbers or other dialing, routing, addressing, or signaling information¹⁴ reasonably likely to identify the source of a wire or electronic communication and to record the date, time, and duration of calls created by such incoming impulses, for a period of sixty (60) days from the date the Order is filed by the

This includes dialing, routing, addressing, or signaling information transmitted over the communication service provider's network by a two-way radio feature (including, but not limited to, Nextel's "Direct Connect/Direct Dispatch," Verizon Wireless' "Push to Talk," or Sprint's "ReadyLink" [including alert, group calls, and private calls associated with the assigned IMSI and UFMI.]) This two-way radio feature, like a walkie-talkie, provides communication between similarly equipped mobile phones by pressing a button on the telephone. As mentioned, information transmitted by the two-way radio feature will not disclose the contents of the call.

This includes the same information described in footnote 13 above.

- c. That, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 3123(b)(1)(c), the requested [installation and use] [continued use] of a pen register and trap and trace device permit the use of each not only on the Target Device, but also on any changed telephone numbers subsequently assigned to an instrument bearing the same ESN, SIM, IMSI, IMEI, and/or UFMI as the Target Device, or any changed ESN, SIM, IMSI, IMEI, and/or UFMI subsequently assigned to the same telephone number as the Target Device, and any additional changed telephone number, ESN, SIM, IMSI, IMEI, and/or UFMI, whether the changes occur consecutively or simultaneously, listed to the same subscriber or account number as the Target Device within the 60-day period authorized by the Order, and further, that, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 3123(b)(1)(C), the tracing operations authorized by the Order be without geographical limits.
- 8. I further request, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. §§ 3123(a)(1) and 3123(b)(2), that the Order direct that the furnishing of information, facilities, and technical assistance necessary to accomplish the installation and operation of the pen register and trap and trace device by the Target Device's Telephone Service Providers (including any Internet service provider or other electronic communications provider providing VoIP), and any and all other telephone service providers, persons, or entities providing wire or electronic communications service in the United States whose assistance may facilitate the execution of the Order, occur unobtrusively and with a minimum of interference with the services that are accorded the persons with respect to whom the installation and use is to take place, with reasonable compensation to be paid by the Investigative Agency for reasonable expenses directly incurred in providing such information, facilities, and assistance.
- 9. I further request that the Order direct the Telephone Service Providers to furnish the results of the pen register and trap and trace devices to agents of the Investigative Agency as soon as practicable, twenty-four (24) hours a day for the duration of the order.

C. COMPLIANCE WITH 18 U.S.C. § 2703

10. 18 U.S.C. § 2703(d) provides that a court may issue an order authorizing disclosure of a record or other information pertaining to a telephone subscriber or customer (not

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11. For the purposes of obtaining a court order for disclosure as described in 18 U.S.C. §§ 2703(c)(1)(B) and 2703(c)(2), and in order to satisfy the requirements of 18 U.S.C. § 2703(d), Applicant, based on discussions with agents of the Investigative Agency, hereby sets forth the following specific and articulable facts that they have provided to me showing that there are reasonable grounds to believe that the records and other information identifying subscribers (but not including the contents of communications) for telephone numbers identified through the pen register and trap and trace device on the Target Device, cell site information regarding the Target Device, subscriber information associated with any service changes regarding the Target Device, and the records or other information pertaining to subscribers (but not including the contents of communications) for the Target Device will be relevant and material to an ongoing criminal investigation:

[Insert summary of facts relating to the investigation and relevance of the Target Device to the investigation. Set forth specific facts regarding the investigation, why the agency believes the target is using the Target Device, and why getting subscriber information/cell site information is relevant to the investigation. If possible, set forth facts regarding the training and experience of the agent providing the information.]

12. Agents of the Investigative Agency have advised Applicant that, based upon their training and experience, one way to identify co-conspirators is to evaluate the pattern of calls made to and from the Target Device – and to obtain information identifying subscribers for these calls – and then conduct an investigation concerning those individuals. Based upon subscriber information, agents may then direct, where appropriate, other investigators to conduct surveillance at these individuals' addresses and determine if criminal activity is or was occurring there, which in turn could yield potential names of co-conspirators and potential storage locations used by the organization.

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18. 1 Based upon the information provided in this Application, I believe that disclosure of the requested Order may result in flight from potential prosecution or the destruction of, or 2 tampering with evidence, or may otherwise seriously jeopardize the investigation. Moreover, the 3 4 exact nature of the government's pen register device and its configuration is classified as a law 5 enforcement sensitive investigative technique, the disclosure of which would likely jeopardize other ongoing investigations and/or future use of the technique. Therefore, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. б 7 §§ 2705(b) and 3123(d), I request that this Application and Order be sealed, that the identity of 8 any targets of the investigation and the possible violations thereof may be redacted from any copy 9 of the Order served on any telephone service provider or other person, and that the Court direct the Telephone Service Providers and any other Telephone Service Provider which provides 10 11 service to a telephone number that either places telephone calls to, or receives telephone calls from, the Target Device, not to disclose in any manner, directly or indirectly, by any action or 12 inaction, the existence of the Order, in full or redacted form, regarding the pen register or trap 13 14 and trace devices, or of this investigation, to the listed subscriber(s) for the Target Device, the occupants of said premises, the subscribers of the incoming calls to or outgoing calls from the 15 16 Target Device, or to any other person until otherwise ordered by this Court. 17 I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing factual assertions are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief. 18 19 20 Dated: Respectfully submitted, 21 MELINDA HAAG United States Attorney 22 23 24 Assistant United States Attorney 25 26 27 28

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Before this Court is an Application under 18 U.S.C. §§ 2703(c), 2703(d), 3122, and 3123, by Jane Smith, an attorney for the Government as defined by Fed. R. Crim. P. 1(b)(1)(B), requesting an Order authorizing the [installation and] [continued] use of a pen register and trap and trace device on the instrument or facility currently utilizing the following subject telephone number, (hereinafter, the "Target Device"):

> Telephone number: Service provider: Subscriber: Address:

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Upon review of the Application, the Court hereby FINDS that:

violations of [insert code section] by [list names of targets], and others.

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Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. §§ 2703(c)(1)(B) and 2703(d), Applicant has offered specific and articulable facts showing that there are reasonable grounds to believe that records or other

Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 3123, Applicant has certified that the information likely to be

obtained by such use is relevant to an ongoing criminal investigation being conducted by the

[insert name of agency] (hereinafter the "Investigative Agency") in connection with possible

information identifying subscribers or customers (not including the contents of communications) for telephone numbers identified through the pen register and trap and trace devices on the Target Device, changes in service regarding the Target Device, cell site information regarding the Target Device, and records or other information pertaining to subscriber(s) or customer(s) (but not including the contents of communications) for the Target Device are relevant and material to an ongoing criminal investigation of the specified offenses.

THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 3123, that agents of the Investigative Agency may [install, or cause to be installed, and] [continue to] to use a pen register to record or decode dialing, routing, addressing, or signaling information transmitted² from the Target Device, to record the date and time of such dialings or transmissions, and to record the length of time the telephone receiver in question is "off the hook" or connected for incoming or outgoing calls and attempts, for a period of sixty (60) days from the date this Order is filed by the Court,³ provided, however, that such information shall not include the contents of any communication;

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 3123, that agents of the

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A cell phone must send a radio signal to an antenna tower which, in turn, is connected to the provider's network. The area covered by the tower varies depending, inter alia, on the population density of the area. This area is often divided into thirds, or 120 degree sectors. "Cell site information" as used in this Order refers to the antenna tower and sector to which the cell phone sends its signal. This includes the physical location and/or address of the cellular tower and identification of the particular sector of the tower receiving the signal. This information does not provide the specific or precise geographical coordinates of the Target Device.

This includes dialing, routing, addressing, or signaling information transmitted over the communication service provider's network by a two-way radio feature (including, but not limited to, Nextel's "Direct Connect/Direct Dispatch," Verizon Wireless' "Push to Talk," or Sprint's "ReadyLink" [including alert, group calls, and private calls associated with the assigned IMSI and UFMI.])

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Investigative Agency may [install, or cause to be installed, and] [continue to] use a trap and trace device on the Target Device to capture and record the incoming electronic or other impulses which identify the originating numbers or other dialing, routing, addressing, or signaling information⁴ reasonably likely to identify the source of a wire or electronic communication, and to record the date, time, and duration of calls created by such incoming impulses, for a period of sixty (60) days from the date this Order is filed by the Court, provided, however, that such information shall not include the contents of any communication:

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Investigative Agency is not authorized to obtain from the telephone Service Providers: (1) any cell site information that might be available when the Target Device is turned "on" but a call is not in progress; (2) information that would allow it to triangulate multiple antenna tower locations and thereby attempt to determine the precise location of the user of the Target Device, even if such location could be determined by said technique; or (3) Global Positioning System (GPS) information regarding the location of the Target Device, even if that technology is built into the Target Device.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. §§ 2703(c)(1)(B), 2703(c)(2), 2703(d), 3122, and 3123 that Adelphia Communications, Adelphia Long Distance, Allegiance Telecom of California, Inc., Astound, AT&T California, AT&T Local Service, AT&T Long Distance, AT&T Midwest, AT&T Nevada, AT&T Southwest, Bell South Telecommunications, Broadwing Communications, Cellco Partnership doing business as Verizon Wireless, Cellular

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This includes the same information described in footnote 2 above.

[&]quot;Triangulation" refers to a technique involving the use of information received from the Telephone Service Providers regarding the strength, angle, and timing of the Target Device's signal measured at two or more cell site locations to attempt to determine the precise location of the user of the Target Device.

A GPS device receives radio signals from satellites and uses those signals to calculate the geographic position of the instrument or facility which carries it which position can be transmitted to the Telephone Service Providers via the cellular telephone network. When a GPS device receives signals from at least four NAVSTAR (Naval Signal Timing and Ranging) satellites, it can mathematically calculate the device's latitude, longitude, and altitude with a high level of precision.

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- 1. For the Target Device, records or other information pertaining to subscriber(s) or eustomer(s), including cellsite information and toll or call detail records (including in two-way radio feature mode) for the sixty (60) days prior to the date this Order is filed by the Court (but not including the contents of communications);
- 2. For the Target Device, after receipt and storage, records or other information pertaining to subscriber(s) or customer(s), including (1) the means and source of payment for the service and (2) cellsite information, provided to the United States for (a) the origination of a call

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⁷ "After receipt and storage" is intended to ensure that the information authorized under paragraphs 2 and 3 is information that is first captured and recorded by the provider before being sent to the Investigative Agency.

from the Target Device or the answer of a call to the Target Device and (b) the termination of the call (but not including the contents of the communications);

- 3. Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 2703(c), after receipt and storage, the following subscriber records and other information for all published, non-published, or unlisted dialing, routing, addressing, or signaling information captured by the pen register and trap and trace device on the Target Device:
 - (i) name;
 - (ii) address;
 - (iii) local and long distance telephone connection records, or records of session times and durations with Target Device;
 - (iv) length of service (including start date) and types of service utilized; and telephone or instrument number or other subscriber number or identity, including any temporarily assigned network address; and
- 4. Any and all changes (including additions, deletions, and transfers) in service regarding the Target Device, including telephone numbers; other unique identifiers such as Electronic Serial Numbers (ESNs), Subscriber Identity Modules (SIMs), International Mobile Subscriber Identifiers (IMSIs), International Mobile station Equipment Identities (IMEIs), and/or Urban Fleet Mobile Identifiers (UFMIs); and subscriber information (published, non-published, listed, or unlisted) associated with these service changes.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that this authorization for the [installation and] [continued] use of a pen register and trap and trace device applies not only to the Target Device, but also to any changed telephone numbers subsequently assigned to an instrument bearing the same ESN, SIM, IMSI, IMEI, and/or UFMI as the Target Device, or any changed ESN, SIM, IMSI, IMEI, and/or UFMI subsequently assigned to the same telephone number as the Target Device, and any additional changed telephone number, ESN, SIM, IMSI, IMEI, and/or UFMI, whether the changes occur consecutively or simultaneously, listed to the same subscriber or account number as the Target Device within the 60-day period authorized by this Order and further, that, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 3123(b)(1)(C), the tracing operations authorized by this Order be without geographical limits.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. §§ 3123(a)(1) and § 3123 (b)(2), that, upon service of this Order, the Target Device's Telephone Service Providers shall furnish

agents of the Investigative Agency with all information, facilities, and technical assistance necessary to accomplish the installation and use of the pen register and trap and trace devices, unobtrusively and with minimum interference with the services that are accorded the persons with respect to whom the installation and use is to take place.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Target Device's Telephone Service Providers shall furnish the results of the pen register and trap and trace devices to agents of the Investigative Agency as soon as practicable, twenty four (24) hours a day for the duration of the Order.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Target Device's Telephone Service Providers be reasonably compensated by the Investigative Agency for reasonable expenses directly incurred in providing information, facilities, and assistance.

Good cause having been shown, IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. §§ 2705(b) and 3123(d), that this Order and the Application be SEALED until otherwise ordered by the Court, that the identity of any targets of the investigation and the possible violations thereof may be redacted from any copy of the Order served on any service provider or other person, and that the Target Device's Telephone Service Providers and any other Telephone Service Provider which provides service to a telephone number that either places telephone calls to, or receives telephone calls from, the Target Device, shall not disclose in any manner, directly or indirectly, by any action or inaction, the existence of this Order, in full or redacted form, of the pen register or trap and trace devices, or of this investigation, to the listed subscribers for the Target Device, or to any other person unless otherwise ordered by this Court.

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