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Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
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Washington, D.C. 20554

Re: CC Docket No. 95-155; WC Docket 17-192; WT Docket No. 08-7

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On January 16, 2018, Gina Perini and Ann Berkowitz of Somos, Inc., and I met with Chairman Pai and Jay Schwarz of Chairman Pai's Office to discuss Somos's Petition for a Declaratory Ruling Regarding Registration of Text-Enabled Toll-Free Numbers.

Somos's presentation provided background on its petition, emphasizing that Commission action is urgently needed to protect the integrity of the Toll-Free numbering system, to protect against fraud, and to ensure that consumers continue to have confidence in the Toll-Free and Texting systems. We discussed the breadth of Commission authority with respect to numbering issues. We also described the climate of innovation in the use of Toll-Free numbers and the importance of clear rules to ensure that such innovation continues. The presentation also touched on the Commission's recent Notice of Proposed Rulemaking and the proposal to develop an auction and secondary market in Toll-Free numbers. Somos noted that clarifying the scope of Resp Org authority with respect to management and administration of Toll-Free numbers was critical to the success of any such initiatives.

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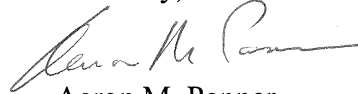
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This letter is being electronically filed for inclusion in the record of these proceedings. If you have any questions concerning this matter, please contact me at (202) 326-7921.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Aaron M. Panner".

Aaron M. Panner

cc: Jay Schwarz