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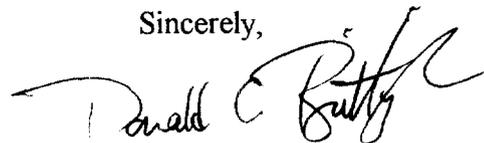
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WASHINGTON, D.C. 20554

Re: CS Docket 96-83
“Restrictions on Over-the-Air Reception Devices: MMDS”

Today, Mike O'Brien (Bell Atlantic Video Services) and I met with Jacqueline Spindler and Randi Albert of the Cable Services Bureau to discuss the Commission's proposal to preempt local regulation of antennas employed in the Multichannel Multipoint Distribution Service ("MMDS"). We discussed Bell Atlantic's plans to offer video services over an MMDS platform, and our experiences thus far with overly restrictive governmental and non-governmental regulations that would inhibit access to these services. We also showed the Bureau staff photographs of typical MMDS installations that demonstrate the unobtrusive nature of MMDS antennas. Copies of these photographs will be provided to the Bureau within the next week.

Please include this correspondence as part of the public record in the above captioned proceeding. You may direct any questions regarding this matter to me on (202) 392-1189.

Sincerely,



cc: Ms. Jacqueline Spindler
Ms. Randi Albert

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