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Honorable Reed E. Hunt
Chairman
Federal Communications Commission
Washington, D.C. 20554

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RE: Policy and Rules Concerning the Interstate, Interexchange Marketplace
Implementation of Section 254 (g) of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended
CC Docket No. 96-61

Dear Chairman Hunt:

The Office of Insular Affairs respectfully submits its comments on the *Notice of Proposed Rulemaking on the Interstate, Interexchange Marketplace and the Implementation of Section 254(g) of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended*.

The Department of the Interior supports the Commission's conclusion that the 1996 Telecommunications Act extends domestic rate integration to Guam and the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands.

We urge the Commission to act expeditiously towards integration for these insular areas.

Sincerely,

Allen P. Stayman
Director
Office of Insular Affairs

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