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Re: WT Docket No. 96-59; GEN Dkt. No. 90-314/ DA 96-1026
Ex Parte Presentation

Dear Mr. Caton:

Pursuant to Section 1.1206 of the Commission's Rules, this letter is to advise you that Omnipoint met today with several Commission staff persons. While much of the meeting was largely informational and did not involve issues decided in the recent Report and Order of Block D, E, and F issues (FCC 96-278), we file this letter out of an abundance of caution. Attending the meeting on behalf of Omnipoint were Douglas Smith, Andrew Arnoff, Thomas Jones, John Boyd and myself; Commission staff persons at the meeting were Evan Kwerel, Louis Sigalos, and Brett Tarnutzer. During the meeting, Omnipoint discussed with Commission staff its experiences during the Block C auction with the Commission's auction procedures, including auction activity of "parking" and "drafting" used by bidders to maintain eligibility. In Omnipoint's view, the Commission should amend auction closure procedures, as outlined in its comments in WT Dkt. No. 96-59, to permit groups of licenses to close as activity levels on those groups of licenses decline. Omnipoint also discussed the Commission's minimum bid increment rules for the D, E, and F auction, and possible improvements to avoid anomalous changes in bid increments.

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In accordance with the Commission's rules, I hereby submit one original and five copies of this letter for inclusion in the above-referenced dockets.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Mark J. O'Connor". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

Mark J. O'Connor
Counsel for Omnipoint Corporation

cc: Evan Kwerel
Louis Sigalos
Brett Tarnutzer