

**Genevieve Morelli**  
Executive Vice President  
& General Counsel

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Reed E. Hundt  
Chairman  
Federal Communications Commission  
1919 M St., N.W.  
Room 814  
Washington, D.C. 20554

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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION  
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

Re: CC Docket Nos. 96-45; 97-21 ✓  
Nomination to the USAC Board of Directors

Dear Chairman Hundt:

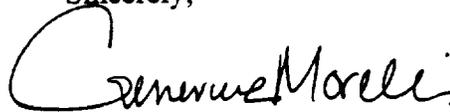
The Competitive Telecommunications Association ("CompTel") hereby nominates Lera Roark to serve as the director of the NECA Universal Service Administrative Company ("USAC") designated to represent interexchange carriers ("IXCs") with annual operating revenues of \$3 billion or less.

CompTel is a nationwide industry association which represents the interests of competitive telecommunications carriers. CompTel's more than 200 members include competitive long distance, local exchange and information service providers. CompTel has a significant core membership base of interexchange carriers with annual operating revenues of less than \$3 billion.

Lera Roark, who is a Vice President for Telephone Electronics Corporation, serves as a member of CompTel's Board of Directors. At TEC, Ms. Roark has been involved in and responsible for interexchange carrier issues since 1984. A copy of her professional biography is attached.

Please address any inquiries regarding this letter to the undersigned.

Sincerely,



Genevieve Morelli

Attachment  
cc: Secretary  
Lera Roark

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**LELA ROARK**  
**VICE PRESIDENT**  
**TELEPHONE ELECTRONICS CORPORATION**

**1984 - Present**      **Telephone Electronics Corporation**  
**Vice President**

Responsibilities include start-up functions for new interexchange carrier companies, including ordering of switches and related equipment and services. Extensive knowledge of interexchange carrier issues.

Responsible for all general subscriber tariffs, interstate and intrastate access tariffs, NECA settlements, subscriber billing, carrier access billing, special services, message accounting, lockbox processing, revenue accounting functions, and information technology functions for TEC's subsidiary companies.

Has served on the Board of Directors of the Competitive Telecommunications Association (CompTel) since 1992 as the representative of Telephone Electronics Corp., a company with less than \$3 billion annual operating revenues.

Serves on the Mississippi Public Service Commission Task Force, the Mississippi Small Company Task Force and the Alabama Universal Service Fund Committee. Issues addressed by those task forces include universal service support for schools, libraries and rural health care providers, local number portability, and intraLATA dialing parity.

**1979 - 1984**      **Communication Consultants, Inc.**  
**Consultant and Tariff Analyst**

Was responsible for writing, filing and obtaining approval of general subscriber tariffs for 110 independent telephone companies. Responsibilities also included development of cost studies and participation in rate cases.

**1969 - 1979**      **Century Telephone Enterprises, Inc.**  
**Assistant Commercial Manager**

Responsibilities included tariffs, directories, Bell settlements and rate cases.