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OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

The Honorable Reed E. Hundt
Chairman
Federal Communications Commission
1919 M Street, NW
Washington, DC 20554

Re: Nomination to the Universal Service Administrator Advisory Committee
Ex Parte Submission in CC Docket No. 96-45

Dear Chairman Hundt:

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The Cellular Telecommunications Industry Association ("CTIA") hereby submits its nomination for a representative of the commercial mobile radio service ("CMRS") providers on the Universal Service Administrator Advisory Committee ("Committee").¹ CTIA nominates Michael F. Altschul as the CMRS representative for the Committee. Mr. Altschul is the Vice President and General Counsel of CTIA. A copy of Mr. Altschul's professional biography is attached to this letter.

As indicated by his biography, Mr. Altschul is highly qualified to represent the CMRS industry on the Committee. He has served with CTIA since 1990 as the primary individual responsible for the association's legal advocacy. CTIA is an international organization of the wireless communications industry for both wireless carriers and manufacturers. Membership in the association covers all CMRS providers, including 48 of the 50 largest cellular and broadband personal communications service ("PCS") providers. CTIA represents more broadband PCS carriers and more cellular carriers than any other trade association. Mr. Altschul is an active participant in the development of the Association's public policy positions. Hence, he has been extensively involved with the policy and regulatory issues surrounding Universal Service implementation and how they affect the wireless industry.

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¹ Nominations for the Committee were originally due by August 22, 1997. See "FCC Requests Nominations for Membership on the Universal Service Administrator Advisory Committee," *Public Notice*, DA Number 97-1649 (August 1, 1997). As such, CTIA submits the nomination herein as an *ex parte* submission in compliance with Section 1.1206 of the Commission's rules.



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Mr. Altschul also possesses substantial experience in other aspects of the telecommunications industry. Prior to joining CTIA, he served with the Antitrust Division of the United States Department of Justice. During his ten year tenure at the Justice Department, Mr. Altschul worked exclusively on communications matters, including the Modification of Final Judgment and the GTE decree, as well as related FCC filings and telecommunications industry mergers and acquisitions. Prior to that, he began his legal career as an attorney specializing in antitrust litigation at the firm of Simpson Thacher & Bartlett in New York City.

CTIA believes that Mr. Altschul possesses the experience in and knowledge of telecommunications issues necessary to serve as a CMRS representative for the Committee. CTIA also believes that Mr. Altschul will actively participate in good faith in the objectives of the Committee.

Respectfully Submitted,



Brian F. Fontes

Enclosure

Professional Biography

Michael Altschul is the Vice President and General Counsel of CTIA, an international trade association located in Washington, D.C. Mr. Altschul joined CTIA in 1990 after serving with the Antitrust Division of the United States Department of Justice. Prior to that, he began his legal career as an attorney specializing in antitrust litigation with Simpson Thacher & Bartlett in New York City.

During his ten year stint at the Justice Department, Mr. Altschul worked exclusively on communications matters, including the Modification of Final Judgment and the GTE decree, as well as related FCC filings and telecommunications industry mergers and acquisitions. As CTIA's General Counsel, Mr. Altschul is responsible for the Association's legal advocacy, CTIA's compliance with antitrust and other applicable laws, and he is an active participant in the development of the Association's public policy positions.

Mr. Altschul received a Bachelor of Arts degree in political science from Colgate University, and a Juris Doctor from the New York University School of Law. He is admitted to the Bar of Illinois, New York, and the District of Columbia, as well as the United States Supreme Court, the United States Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia, and the United States District Courts for the District of Columbia, and the Southern and Eastern Districts of New York. Mr. Altschul served as co-chair of the Wireless Telecommunications Practice Committee of the Federal Communications Bar Association, and is a member of the Antitrust Section of the American Bar Association, where he serves on the Communications Industry Committee.