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TOWN OF CHAPEL HILL  
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CHAPEL HILL, NORTH CAROLINA 27516

OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

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August 26, 1996

Mr. William F. Caton, Acting Secretary  
Federal Communications Commission  
1919 M Street, N.W.  
Washington, DC 20554

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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION  
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

Dear Mr. Caton:

Re: BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. NSD - L - 96 - 7

I write to support the request for an InterLATA boundary change to enable extended area telephone service between Chapel Hill and Saxapahaw.

I understand that the requested change would not affect telephone rates in Chapel Hill and that a majority of the telephone subscribers in Saxapahaw who voted by mail on this matter were also in support of the request.

Because the Town Council has not had the opportunity to take action on this matter, this letter expresses my personal views rather than those of the Council.

Sincerely,

Rosemary I. Waldorf  
Mayor

cc: Town Council

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Common Carrier Bureau  
Network Service Division  
Office of the Chief

Re: Tenaha, Texas Project #16213

Earlier this year GTE polled the residents of Tenaha for local area calling for the cities of Carthage, Joaquin, Timpson, Nacogoches and Center. The referendum passed. The cities of Joaquin, Timpson, Nacogoches and Center have been converted to local from Tenaha.

It seems that Carthage is in a different "latta" and therefore requires special consideration before it can be made local (non-toll). Carthage was the city that I voted for because I have about \$200.00 of monthly calls to that city. Now, I am paying for the privilege of having local calling, but I do not have it. My calls to the other cities are practically nonexistent.

My understanding is that the FCC has to approve this because of some artificially erected boundary called a "latta" before this can be accomplished. It was further advanced that it might effect competition if this were permitted. Competition results in better cheaper service. Removing this restriction would result in more competition and better service.

I am a small businessman in a small town. My only recourse is to write you.

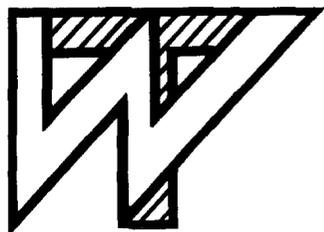
Please expedite the approval of this change. The large corporations have no problem generating income, but I must watch every expense to be profitable. Two hundred dollars per month would materially effect me and many other local merchants.

Sincerely,

*Donald K. Bates*

Donald K. Bates

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Federal Communications Commission  
Attn: Ms. Pam Geer  
1919 M Street, NW  
Washington, DC 20554

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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION  
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Dear Ms. Geer,

As the president of a small company operating in Chatham County, North Carolina I would like to voice my support for the implementation of extended area telephone service for Eastern Chatham County to Raleigh, North Carolina.

With our headquarters located in Chatham County much of our daily business requires us to make telephone calls to the Raleigh, North Carolina area. Extending the Chatham County area service would be a benefit to all of the residents and businesses located in our area.

I appreciate your time and interest taken in this matter.

Sincerely,

Edward L. Fink  
President

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**Section 3:** We do hereby petition the FCC to grant the interLATA boundary modification to BellSouth in a timely manner; and

**Section 4:** We do hereby request that Carolina Telephone provide EAS at least one way, in accordance with the approval of the North Carolina Utilities Commission, and that EAS begin on the date on which it was originally scheduled to be implemented, August 17, 1996.

Adopted this, the 22 day of July, 1996.

Uva Holland  
Uva Holland, Chair  
Chatham County Board of Commissioners

**ATTEST:**

Sandra B. Lee  
Sandra B. Lee, Clerk to the Board  
Chatham County