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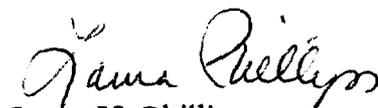
Re: *Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service*
CC Docket No. 96-45
Consumers Union/Consumer Federal of America Petition for Rulemaking
CSB Docket No. RM 9167
EX PARTE PRESENTATION

Dear Ms. Salas:

On Friday, December 12, 1998, James Coltharp, Senior Director, Public Policy of Comcast Corporation met with Tom Power, Legal Advisor, Office of Chairman William Kennard and Anita L. Walgren, Legal Advisor, Office of Commissioner Ness regarding the above-referenced proceeding. Comcast discussed its plans to deploy high-speed data services to its customers using cable modems and various issues regarding cable prices, video competition and universal service.

This letter is being filed in original with two duplicates pursuant to the Commission's rules. If you have any questions related to this ex parte, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,


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cc: Tom Power
Anita L. Walgren
Enclosure