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SUBJECT: Notice of Oral Ex Parte Presentations in CC Docket No. 96-45.

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Please enter the following in the rulemaking record in CC Docket No. 96-45 regarding the FCC's Universal Service Rules. These are disclosures of congressional and executive branch contacts that may have been substantial and intended to affect the ultimate decision, and therefore may fall within the ambit of 47 C.F.R. § 1.1206(b)(3).

I had a telephone conversation with Kevin Joseph of the Senate Commerce Committee staff on December 10, 1997 concerning the FCC's Universal Service proceeding. Mr. Joseph requested that the Commission consider phasing in the schools and libraries and rural health care universal service mechanisms more gradually.

I also had a telephone conversation with John Morabito of the House Commerce Committee on or about December 10, 1997. Mr. Morabito recommended that the Commission adjust the levels of funding for schools and libraries and rural health care programs for 1998 so that the amounts contributed by telecommunications carriers would be lower.

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