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TO: Magalie Roman Salas, Secretary

FROM: Michael K. Powell, Commissioner

DATE: March 17, 1998

RE: In the Matter of Amendment to the Commission's Rules Regarding
Installment Payment Financing for Personal Communications Services
(PCS) Licensees, WT Docket No. 97-82
Oral Ex Parte Presentations by Members of Congress and Staff

Pursuant to Section 1.1206(b)(3) of the Commission's rules, this summarizes the substance of *ex parte* presentations made by two members of Congress and one Congressional staff member in telephone calls to me and my staff regarding the above-captioned proceeding. Specifically, on February 26, 1998, Congressman John D. Dingell advocated that C-block licensees should be allowed to apply their down payments to "short-term debt." On February 20, 1998, Congressman Thomas Bliley, Jr., suggested that the Commission should allow C-block licensees to defer making payments on their licenses. Finally, on February 24, 1998, Mr. Justin Lilley, a staff member on the House Commerce Committee, spoke with Jane Mago of my staff, also advocating deferral of C-block payments and allowing licensees to use down payments to pay off interest.

Attached is one copy of this memorandum. Copies have also been provided to the following:

The Honorable John D. Dingell
The Honorable Thomas Bliley, Jr.
Mr. Justin Lilley
Chairman William Kennard
Commissioner Susan Ness
Commissioner Harold Furchtgott-Roth
Commissioner Gloria Tristani

Attachment