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Re: Ex Parte in CC Docket 97-208, CC Docket 97-231,  
CC Docket 97-121, CC Docket 97-137,  
and CC Docket 96-98

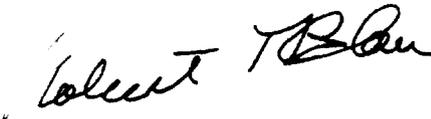
Dear Ms. Salas:

This is to inform you that on April 28, 1998, Sid Boren, Randy New, and the undersigned, all of BellSouth, met with Richard Welch, of the Commission for an ex parte meeting.

During the meeting the participants discussed the following issues: 1) Possible filing dates for Section 271 petitions; 2) The status of BellSouth's discussions with the Department of Justice staff concerning prospective Section 271 petitions; 3) Resolution of outstanding legal and technical issues associated with the combination of UNEs; and 4) The state of competition in local exchange markets in Georgia and Louisiana. This discussion is part of the ongoing meetings discussing 271 petition applications.

Pursuant to Section 1.1206(a)(2) of the Commission's rules, two copies of this notice are being filed with the FCC for each proceeding. Please associate this notification with the above-referenced proceedings.

Sincerely,



cc: Richard Welch