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May 28, 1998

Ms. Magalie Roman Salas, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
Office of the Secretary
1919 M. Street, NW Room 200
Washington, DC 20554

Re: Ex parte - CC Docket No. 96-45 (Universal Service)

Dear Ms. Salas:

Today, Joel Lubin, of AT&T, and I met with Jim Schlichting of the Common Carrier Bureau. We met to discuss hypothetical alternative approaches that could be considered for the assessment and collection of contributions to support the universal service funds. During our discussion, we reviewed the economic implications of various alternatives as summarized in AT&T's ex parte in this proceeding filed on May 22, 1998. We reiterated that there are a number of variables and approaches that could effect the size of the fund, the size of any line item charges, and the way in which those charges are recovered. We took no position on the alternatives that were discussed.

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Very truly yours,

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