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Ms. Magalie Roman Salas
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RE: CC Docket No. 97-213

Dear Ms. Salas:

On July 22, 1998 Linda Kent, Don Bender and Lloyd Nault, representing the United States Telephone Association (USTA), met with Ari Fitzgerald of Chairman Kennard's office. The purpose of the meeting was to discuss USTA's petition to extend the compliance date of the Communications Assistance to Law Enforcement Act (CALEA). USTA's petition, filed April 24, 1998, requested a blanket two year extension of the October 25, 1998 compliance date. USTA argued that the record in CC Docket No. 97-213 overwhelmingly supports a two year extension as no party disputes the fact that CALEA compliant equipment will not be commercially available by the compliance date.

The original and a copy of this ex parte are being filed in the Office of the Secretary on July 23, 1998. Please include it in the public record of this proceeding.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Kent
Associate General Counsel

cc: A. Fitzgerald

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