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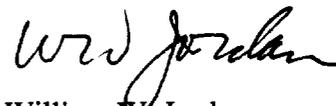
Re: CC Docket No. 96-45 and 97-160

Dear Ms. Salas,

Yesterday, John Jackson, Bill Yeatman, Bob McKnight, and the undersigned, all representing BellSouth, spoke via telephone with Katie King, Bryan Clopton, Abdel Eqab, and Mike Cichello of the Common Carrier Bureau's Accounting Policy Division regarding the above referenced proceedings. During this call, BellSouth explained the material required to equip a 1344 line digital loop carrier at the remote terminal and in the central office and where the material prices could be found in a vendor contract. BellSouth advised the staff that vendor material prices do not include telephone company labor, engineering and other costs BellSouth incurs to install the equipment and that BellSouth applies in-plant factors to these vendor material prices to develop total costs. BellSouth referred the staff to its August 7, 1998, ex parte in these proceedings for information on in-plant factors.

Please call me if you have any questions.

Yours truly,



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cc: Katie King
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