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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

Re: Docket CCB/CPD 97-30 and CC Docket No. 96-98, Reciprocal Compensation

Dear Ms. Salas:

Yesterday, Mr. F. Gumper and I, representing Bell Atlantic, met with Mr. J. Schlichting, Deputy to the Common Carrier Bureau Chief, to discuss the issue of reciprocal compensation. The Bell Atlantic representatives explained the significant public policy consequences of the continued application of reciprocal compensation payments to Internet bound calls and explored various options for resolving the issue. The Bell Atlantic representatives urged the Commission to address the issue now and declare that Internet-bound calls are not local and therefore not subject to reciprocal compensation payments.

In accordance with Section 1.1206(a)(1) of the Commission's rules, an original and one copy of this notice are being submitted to the Secretary.

Sincerely,


Susanne Guyer

cc: J. Schlichting

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