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Ex Parte

Ms. Marlene H. Dortch
Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, SW
Washington, DC 20554

Re: Special Access Rates for Price Cap Local Exchange Carriers, WC Docket No. 05-25 and RM-10593; Investigation of Certain Price Cap Local Exchange Carrier Business Data Services Tariff Pricing Plans, WC Docket No. 15-247

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On March 8, 2016, Craig Silliman, Executive Vice President, Public Policy and General Counsel for Verizon spoke with Jon Sallet, FCC General Counsel in connection with the above-referenced proceedings.

Mr. Silliman stated that demand for business broadband services is shifting away from legacy services to providers of all kinds, in particular cable companies. In this marketplace, the FCC should adopt a regulatory framework that ensures a level playing field for all providers that offer the same or similar services. Mr. Silliman also discussed the different proposals parties have filed in these proceedings, including rolling back forbearance for Ethernet services and changes to the terms and conditions in place for legacy special access services. Again, Mr. Silliman stated that any changes the FCC adopts to its current regulatory structure must take into account developments in the marketplace over the last few years and the various competitors for business broadband services and it should regulate all competitors evenhandedly.

Sincerely,

cc: Jon Sallet