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

March 23rd, 2016

In re Petition for a Notice of Inquiry Regarding Call Forwarding Requirements and Carrier Blocking Options for Non-Initialized Phones, PS Docket No. 08-51.

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On Tuesday, March 22nd, 2016, the undersigned, along with NENA CEO Dr. Brian Fontes, made a permitted *ex parte* presentation to Erin McGrath in Commissioner O'Reilly's office. During our presentation, we again stressed the extreme importance of solving the NSI problem on a short timeframe. We noted, however, that any transition timeframe should reasonably account for the deployment of new equipment or software required by carriers to admit calls from service-initialized devices in the broadest possible set of circumstances. Additionally, we stressed our willingness to work with the Commission and the Congress to ensure that any additional liability protections needed by PSAPs or Carriers to support the termination of NSI service are in place before an actual shutdown occurs. Finally, we restated our willingness to work with carriers on alternative solutions, if those solutions operate to relieve PSAPs of the technical, operational, and financial burdens associated with handling NSI calls.

Please contact me as below with any questions.

Sincerely,



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*Director of Government Affairs
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CC: Erin McGrath (O'Reilly)