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Ex Parte

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

**Re: Petition for Waiver of Rules Requiring Support of TTY Technology,
GN Docket No. 15-178**

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On May 6, 2016, Ian Dillner, of Verizon, spoke with Karen Peltz Strauss, Deputy Bureau Chief of the Consumer & Governmental Affairs Bureau by telephone about the above referenced proceeding. Mr. Dillner explained that, consistent with Verizon's February 11, 2016 report,¹ we are continuing to undertake to develop and deploy Real Time Text technology that will be accessible, interoperable with other RTT services and applications, and compatible with other providers' networks and users that may continue to rely on TTY technology in the future. Mr. Dillner also noted that despite the current Verizon work stoppage, we are continuing to work internally to meet the deadlines contemplated in the *Verizon Waiver Order*,² and agreed to provide a further update next month.

Please contact me if you need any additional information.

Very truly yours,

Katharine R. Saunders

cc: Karen Peltz Strauss

¹ See *Petition for Waiver of Rules Requiring Support of TTY Technology*, Verizon Report, GN Docket No. 15-178 (Feb. 11, 2016).

² *Petition for Waiver of Rules Requiring Support of TTY Technology*, 30 FCC Rcd 12755, Order (Nov. 13, 2015 ("Verizon Waiver Order")).