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**Re: Deployment of Wireline Services Offering
Advanced Telecommunications Capability
CC Docket No. 98-147**

Dear Ms. Salas:

On behalf of the Internet Service Providers' Consortium (ISP/C), and pursuant to Section 1.1206(a)(2) of the Commission's Rules, I am filing the original and one copy of this letter to report an oral ex parte communication in the above-referenced proceeding.

On October 27, 1998, I attended the Internet Service Providers' Forum in Atlanta Georgia. At a session titled "Hot Topics at the FCC," I shared a panel with Carol Matthey, Chief, Policy and Program Planning Division, Common Carrier Bureau.

In the course of my remarks, and in Ms. Matthey's presence, I discussed the relevance of the Computer III regime to Internet service providers (ISPs). I referred to the Commission's proposal in the above-referenced docket to allow incumbent LECs to offer DSL services free of Section 251 unbundling and resale obligations through a structurally separate affiliate. I explained that, in the case of the RBOCs and GTE, the Computer III regime is still needed under this proposal, and that Computer III obligations must apply to the separate affiliate just as they do to the parent company. Otherwise, I said, the affiliate will be free to discriminate against competing ISPs in favor of its parent's ISP operations, and could even deny all DSL services to competitors while providing them to the parent ISP.

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Nothing in my remarks went significantly beyond the pleadings that ISP/C has filed in this proceeding.

If there are any questions about this filing, please call me directly at the number above.

Respectfully submitted,



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