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Re: Ex Parte Presentation  
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Dear Ms. Salas:

Pursuant to Section 1.1206 of the Commission's rules, I hereby submit an original plus one copy of this letter to notify you that David Otten of Celsat America, Inc. ("Celsat"), together with Toni Cook Bush and I of this firm, met on Friday, January 8, 1999, with Tom Tycz, Howard Griboff, Karl Kensinger, Robert Kreichnick, Chris Murphy, Ron Repasi, and Alex Roytblatt of the Commission's staff. During this meeting, we discussed Celsat's reaction to the presentation last week in which these staff members described their current thinking with respect to the processing of applications in the 2 GHz Mobile Satellite Service ("MSS") proceeding. Celsat stated its preference for either the flexible band plan approach or the traditional band plan approach proposed by the staff members. Celsat asked the Commission staff to clarify how unused spectrum would be reallocated to the 2 GHz applicants under the traditional band plan approach. Celsat also discussed the relative merits of a spectrum cap in the 2 GHz proceeding. In response to questions from the staff, Celsat described its proposed use of spectrum in the Ka-band for feeder links for its 2 GHz MSS system and reiterated its view that the Commission need not wait for Celsat to obtain feeder link spectrum to grant Celsat's 2 GHz MSS license. Finally, Celsat stated that it found the Commission's approach to the 2 GHz service rules (i.e., presenting its views prior to issuing the service rules NPRM), to be extremely helpful and fair to the applicants.

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Please direct any questions concerning this matter to the  
undersigned.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "B. Weimer". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

Brian D. Weimer

cc: Tom Tycz  
Howard Griboff  
Karl Kensinger  
Robert Kreichnick  
Chris Murphy  
Ron Repasi  
Alex Roytblatt