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Ms. Magalie Roman Salas  
Secretary  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 Twelfth Street, S.W.  
12<sup>th</sup> Street Lobby, TW-A325  
Washington, D.C. 20554

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Re: WT Docket No. 96-198, Implementation of Section 255 of the  
Telecommunications Act of 1996 - Access to Telecommunications  
Services, Telecommunications Equipment, and Customer Premises  
Equipment by Persons with Disabilities

Dear Ms. Salas:

On June 22, 1999, representatives of the Telecommunications Industry  
Association (TIA) met with Kathryn Brown and Maryanne McCormick regarding the  
above-captioned proceeding.

The discussion related to TIA's comments, reply comments, and other documents  
previously filed in this docket. The views expressed during the meeting focused on an  
approach to implementation and enforcement of Section 255 that affords  
telecommunications manufacturers and service providers the flexibility to offer a wide  
variety of accessible solutions across families or lines of products; the mechanisms that  
will be established for addressing consumer concerns regarding accessibility; and the  
potential expansion of the reach of the proceeding to cover products and services not  
contemplated in the plain language of Section 255. TIA also reiterated its commitment to  
continue working with the FCC and consumers to achieve the goal of Section 255 – the  
availability of a broad array of products and services that are accessible to persons with  
disabilities.

An original and one copy of this letter are submitted and copies have been  
forwarded to the staff present at this meeting, pursuant to 47 C.F.R. § 1.1206(b)(2). If  
you have any questions about this submission, please contact the undersigned.

Sincerely,

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