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## VIA ELECTRONIC DELIVERY

Ms. Magalie Roman Salas, Secretary  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 12th Street, S.W.  
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Washington, DC 20554

Re: Ex Parte Presentation  
CC Dkt. No.s 98-183, 98-147, 95-20, 98-10, 98-147

Dear Ms. Salas:

In accordance with the Commission's *ex parte* rules, this letter is to notify you that representatives of the Commercial Internet eXchange Association ("CIX"), the U.S. Internet Service Providers Association ("USISPA"), and several Internet service providers met yesterday with Chairman Kennard and several Commission staff persons to discuss the above-captioned proceedings.

Attending these meetings were Barbara Dooley (CIX), John Montjoy (CIX), Ian Stevelman (BroadwayNet), Alexis Rosen (Panix), Craig Bowman (DigitalSelect), Dale Hamilton (Bluegrass Net), Stan Orrell (New Mexico Internet Access), Steve Mossbrook (Wyoming.com), Sue Ashdown (Xmission), David Ohlers (GreenApple), Gary Gardner, Bruce Kushnick (author of The Unauthorized Bio of the Baby Bells), and Ron Plesser and myself of Piper & Marbury LLP.

The group had four meetings with: 1) Chairman Kennard, Robert Pepper, Deborah Latham, and David Solomon; 2) Robert Pepper, Robert Cannon, Michael Kennedy, Staci Pies, and Jennifer Fabian of the Office of Plans and Policy; 3) Carol Mattey of the Common Carrier Bureau; and 4) Linda Kinney in the Office of Commissioner Ness.

During these meetings, CIX and USISPA members expressed problems that they have encountered with discriminatory practices of the Bell Operating Companies

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regarding the provisioning of services to Internet service providers. CIX and USISPA expressed their belief that the soon to be established Enforcement Bureau could provide an effective means for addressing such concerns. Additionally, CIX and USISPA members inquired about the recent Order establishing a joint Federal-State Commission to explore the deployment of advanced services.

In the meetings with Carol Matthey and Linda Kinney, we discussed issues of line sharing and bundling presented in the above-referenced dockets, which was consistent with the comments and reply comments filed by CIX in these proceedings. The group expressed our belief that line sharing is important to the competitive deployment of broadband Internet services. Finally, the group emphasized the importance of upholding the Commission's bundling rules in the DSL environment. The group also expressed the importance of ruling on CIX's Petition for Clarification in the Computer III Further Remand Order to provide ISPs with timely deployment information necessary for ISP rollout plans.

This letter is being filed electronically in each of the above-captioned dockets. Should you have any questions, please contact the undersigned.

Sincerely,

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Dr. Robert Pepper  
Ms. Deborah Latham  
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