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Ms. Magalie Roman Salas
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Federal Communications Commission
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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

Re: WT Docket No. 99-168
"Service Rules for the 746-764 and 776-794 MHz Bands"

Dear Ms. Salas:

On December 22, 1999, the undersigned spoke separately via telephone with Mark Schneider of Commissioner Ness' office and Bryan Tramont of Commissioner Furchtgott-Roth's office to discuss service rules for the 746-764 and 776-794 MHz bands. The focus of this call was to discuss a recent proposal to facilitate combinatorial bidding in the auctioning of these licenses. Bell Atlantic believes that rules limiting combinatorial bidding to only those who intend to bid on the entire band nationally would yield a bidding advantage to those entities. If the Commission does not intend to permit combinatorial bidding for any combination of licenses and markets, then it should not allow any form of combinatorial bidding in this auction.

Please include a copy of this ex parte presentation in the record for the above captioned proceeding. If you have any questions, you may call me on (202) 336-7880.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Don Brittingham".

cc: M. Schneider
B. Tramont

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