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

**Re: Permitted Ex Parte Meeting
The Boeing Company
IB Docket No. 99-81
ET Docket No. 95-18
FCC File No. 179-SAT-P/L/97(16)**

Dear Secretary Salas:

On Tuesday, January 11, 2000, representatives of The Boeing Company ("Boeing") and its counsel met with Karl Kensinger, Christopher Murphy, Howard Griboff, Alexander Roytblat and Marcus Wolf of the FCC Satellite and Radiocommunication Division. Boeing representatives included Frank Weaver, Jeffrey Trauberman, Karen Gielen, R. Craig Holman, Robert Higgins and Mel Barmat of Jansky/Barmat Telecom. The undersigned was present as counsel for Boeing.

During the meeting, Boeing discussed its views on the Commission's proposal for clearing spectrum for 2 GHz MSS networks and assigning spectrum to licensees. Boeing reiterated points that it made previously in its written comments in the above referenced proceedings. Boeing argued that in order to increase spectrum efficiency, cleared spectrum should be segregated between CDMA and TDMA/FDMA systems. Boeing also argued that in order to encourage consistent international allocations, regional 2 GHz MSS systems should be limited to regional spectrum as much as possible. Boeing further argued that existing 2 GHz MSS licensees should have priority in obtaining expansion spectrum in order to ensure their long-term viability.

Boeing also discussed its own 2 GHz MSS application during the meeting. Boeing described its ongoing efforts with the FAA, IATA and ICAO on developing additional support for its proposal to use its 2 GHz MSS network to provide AMS(R)S. Boeing requested that the Commission reflect these ongoing efforts in the text of any report and order released on this subject. Boeing also discussed the potential availability of feeder link spectrum for its 2 GHz MSS system in various spectrum bands.

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The attached talking points were distributed at the meeting. Thank you for your attention to this matter. Please contact the undersigned if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

/s/Bruce A. Olcott

Cc: Karl Kensinger, Satellite and Radiocommunication Division
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