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Ms. Magalie Roman Salas
Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 – 12th Street, SW
Room: TW-A325
Washington, DC 20554

**Re: DA 00-318; Petitions Seeking Relief of CMRS Spectrum Cap
WT Docket 97-207; Calling Party Pays**

Dear Ms. Salas:

On March 14, 2000, Dennis Strigl, President and CEO of Bell Atlantic Mobile (BAM) and the undersigned met with Commissioner Ness and her legal advisor, Mark Schneider, to discuss BAM's Petition for Limited Forbearance of the CMRS spectrum cap rule. BAM seeks limited forbearance of the spectrum cap rules as they apply to the upcoming reauction of PCS licenses. Such an action would not risk reconcentration of the CMRS market, since the subject licenses are not being used. Continued application of the rule to these licenses would have a negative effect on the development of new wireless data services including high-speed Internet access. Additionally, we discussed the related issue of the need to waive the designated entity rules for this auction.

We also discussed the status of the Commission's proceeding on Calling Party Pays and BAM's CPP service, "CALL ME", in Delaware. Mr. Strigl indicated that the initial deployment of the service was going well, and urged the Commission to proceed with an order on CPP that would facilitate its deployment without regulatory impediment. The Commission should establish a uniform national notification standard and preempt states from imposing separate requirements.

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 "Howard E. Woolley".

cc: Commissioner Susan Ness
Mark Schneider

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