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BY HAND

Magalie R. Salas
Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, S.W.
Room TW-B204
Washington, D.C. 20554

Re: Ex Parte Notice; CC Docket No. 98-184; CC Docket No. 98-146

Dear Ms. Salas:

This letter (four copies of which are enclosed) is to confirm that on Tuesday, June 6, 2000, Thomas K. Crowe, counsel for the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands ("CNMI") and Bob Webb, Special Assistant for Telecommunications, Office of the Governor, CNMI, met with Kyle Dixon, Legal Advisor for Commissioner Michael K. Powell at the Federal Communications Commission.

During the meeting, Mr. Crowe and Mr. Webb discussed concerns raised by the revised proposed conditions under the proposed Bell Atlantic/GTE merger (CC Docket No. 98-184) as well as concerns pertaining to the lack of advanced telecommunications capabilities in the CNMI (CC Docket No. 98-146).

This ex parte notice is being filed in the Office of the Secretary on June 7, 2000 and should be included in the public record.

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Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Thomas K. Crowe". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, sweeping initial "T" and "C".

Thomas K. Crowe,
Counsel for the Commonwealth of the
Northern Mariana Islands

Enclosures

cc: Bob Webb