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Ms. Magalie Roman Salas  
Secretary  
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Re: Notice of Ex Parte Presentation:

Funding Mechanism of the Universal Service Fund, CC Docket No. 96-45; Policy and Rules Concerning the Interstate, Interexchange Marketplace, Implementation of Section 254(g) of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, CC Docket No. 96-61; Access Charge Reform, CC Docket No. 96-262; Request for Emergency Relief of the Minnesota CLEC Consortium and the Rural Independent Competitive Alliance, DA 00-1067; Mandatory Detariffing of CLEC Interstate Access Services, DA 00-1268; In the Matter of the Application for Consent to Transfer Control of Licenses and Section 214 Authorizations from MediaOne Group, Inc., Transferor, to AT&T Corp., Transferee, CS Docket No. 99-251; Annual Assessment of the Status of Competition in Markets for the Delivery of Video Programming, CS Docket No. 00-132

Dear Ms. Salas:

Yesterday, C. Michael Armstrong, AT&T Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer, James W. Cicconi, AT&T General Counsel and Executive Vice President, and I met with Commissioner Harold Furchtgott-Roth and Rebecca Beynon, Legal Advisor to Commissioner Furchtgott-Roth. We discussed a number of issues that touch upon matters related to the referenced proceedings. Specifically, we discussed the competitive marketplace distortions introduced by the assessment of a carrier's universal service fund contributions based on prior year revenues, and by interexchange

geographic rate averaging requirements. In addition, we discussed AT&T's view that many CLECs charge exorbitantly high rates for their access services, and that interexchange carriers have no duty to purchase such services. We also discussed AT&T's concern that the Commission's cable ownership and attribution rules are arbitrary and overly restrictive. Our comments on these issues were consistent with AT&T's written submissions in the referenced proceedings.

For each of the referenced proceedings, two copies of this Notice are being submitted in accordance with Section 1.1206 of the Commission's rules.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "A. J. Calvi". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "A" and "J".

cc: Commissioner Harold Furchtgott-Roth  
Rebecca Beynon