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Re: In the Matters of Deployment of Wireline Services Offering Advanced Telecommunications Capability, CC Docket No. 98-147, and Implementation of the Local Competition Provisions of the Telecommunications Act of 1996, CC Docket No. 96-98

Dear Ms. Salas:

Please be advised that yesterday, Theodore M. Weitz, Vice President and General Counsel, Tachion Networks, Inc; David S. Zeckhausen, Manager of Marketing and Business Development, Tachion Networks, Inc.; Ernest Russo, Manager of Technical Development, Tachion Networks, Inc.; Lawrence Roberts, Davis Wright Tremaine LLP; and the undersigned met with Jordan Goldstein, Legal Advisor to Commissioner Ness, in connection with the above-captioned proceeding.

The purpose of the meeting was to demonstrate the integrated functionality of Tachion's Fusion 5000, a next-generation multifunction integrated device, and to explain how the Fusion 5000, once collocated, will facilitate competition in local and advanced services in costly-to-serve areas. During the meeting, we referenced the attached handouts describing the Fusion 5000.

In accordance with the Commission's rules governing *ex parte* presentations, an original and one copy of this notification are provided herewith. Please call me directly should you have any questions.

Sincerely yours,

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Value Proposition: Better Business Model

More Cities

- *Increased geographic coverage*
- *Wider deployment for same capital outlay*

More Services

- *High-revenue Class 5 voice services*
- *High-margin differentiated data services*

Less Time

- *Reduced new-city ramp time*
- *Accelerated profitability*

Less Money

- *Reduced capital costs by more than 50%*
- *Reduced lifecycle costs: real estate, sparing, OA&M and staffing*

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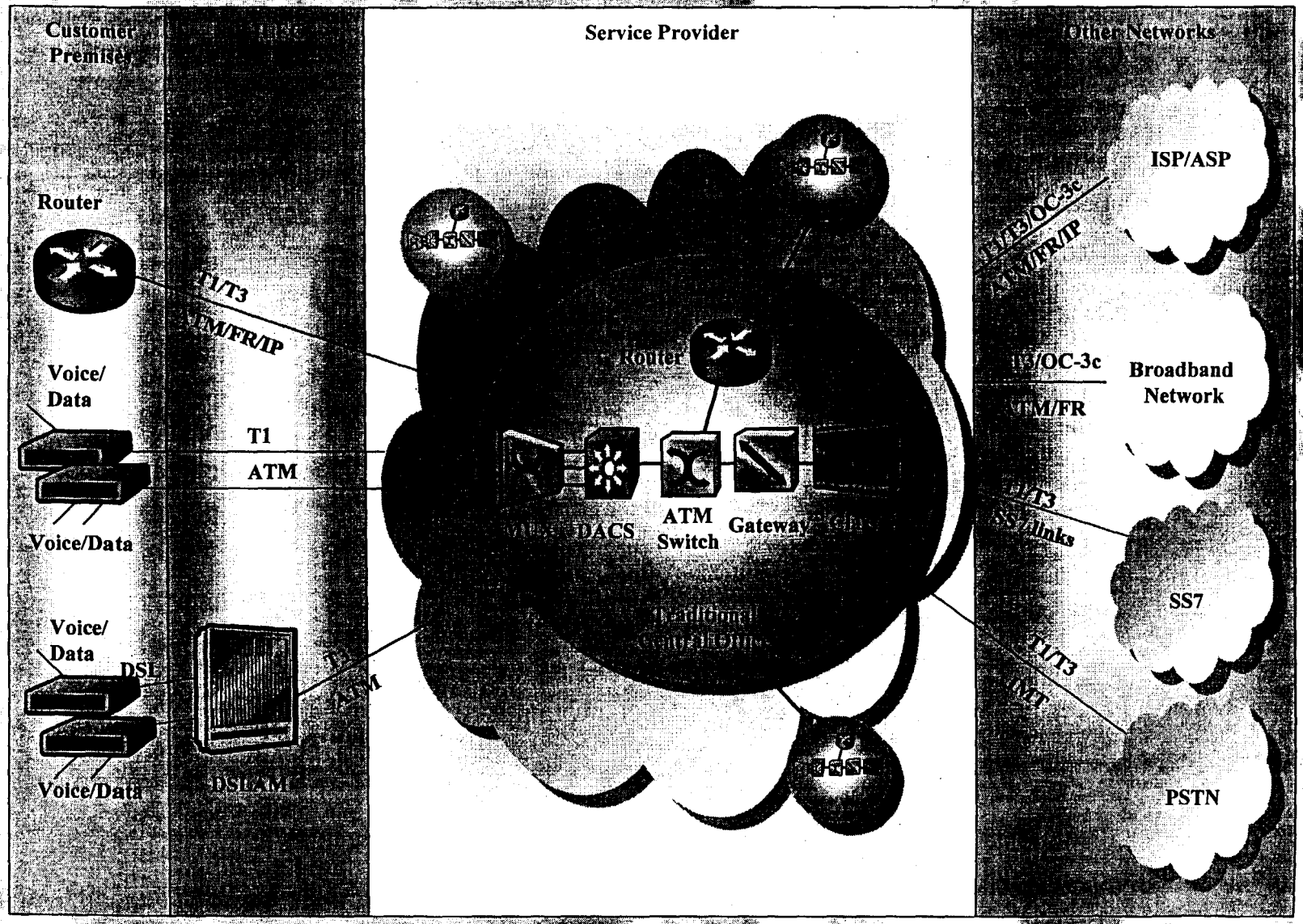
Bundled Broadband Services



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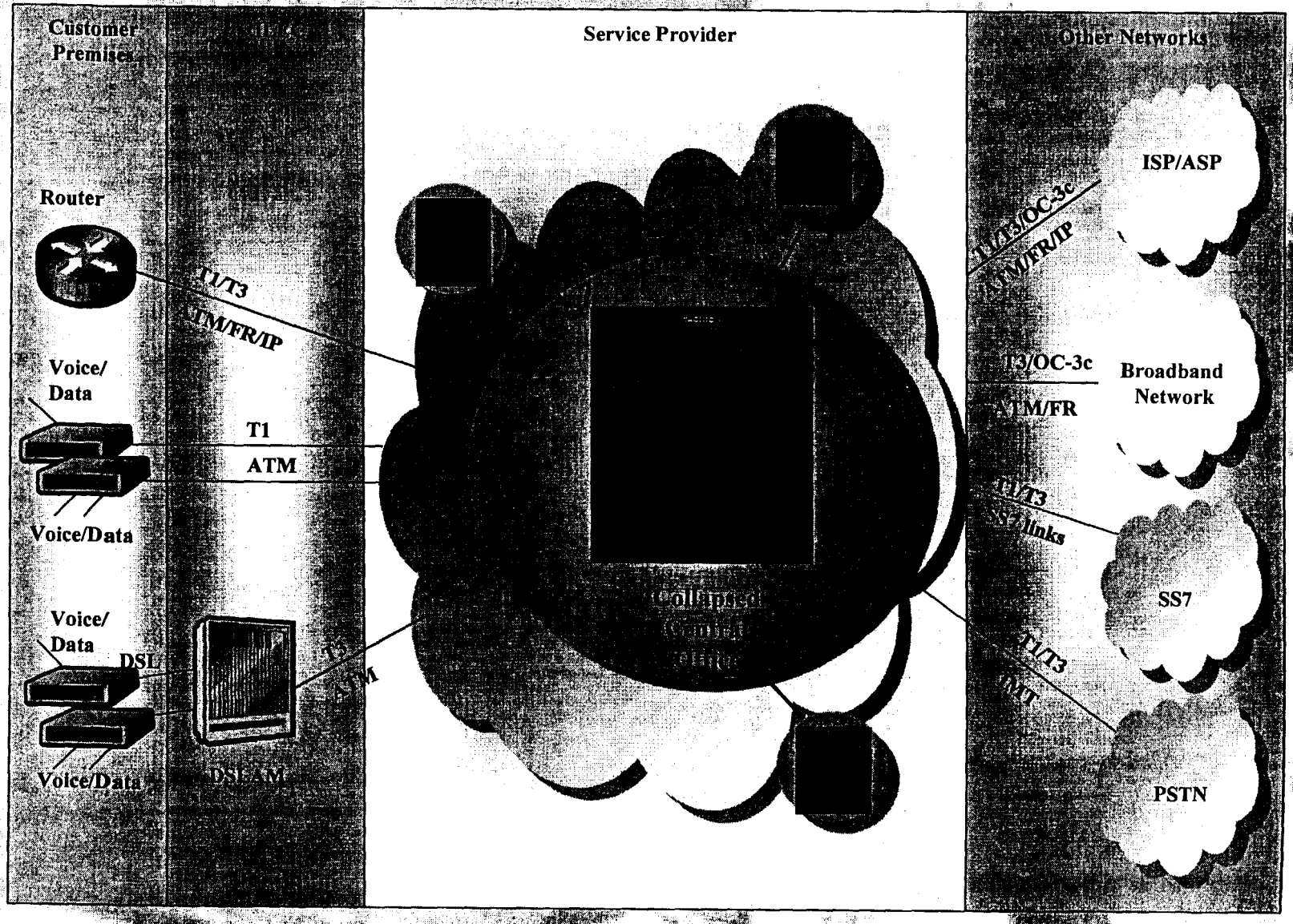

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Fusion 5000 Key Capabilities

- ***Enables next-generation business plan***
  - ✓ High-margin service offerings and new revenue streams
    - Data (ATM, FR, IP), Voice (Class 5 functions)
  - ✓ High service margin per square foot
    - Multiple System in a single rack
  - ✓ Opens new markets; improves economics of emerging applications
    - Broadband bundled services: integrates legacy technology
    - Internet Offload: optimizes usage of current switches
  - ✓ Collapsed CO reduces investment, provides integration, increases ROI
    - Integrates transport, switching, routing and signaling

- ***Streamlines OA&M***
  - ✓ One system to manage both voice and data services
  - ✓ Centralized management of multiple switches
  - ✓ Self guiding configuration screens, GUI-based

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