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Ms. Magalie Roman Salas
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Federal Communications Commission
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Re: ET Docket No. 00-258
WT Docket No. 01-14
CC Docket No. 92-105
CC Docket No. 99-200

Dear Ms. Salas:

On March 21, 2001, Mark Tuller, General Counsel and Vice President – Legal and External Affairs for Verizon Wireless, met with Tom Sugrue, Chief of the Wireless Telecommunications Bureau to discuss several pending issues important to Verizon Wireless. The discussion focused primarily on spectrum and numbering issues.

Regarding spectrum, Mr. Tuller expressed the urgent need for the Commission to allocate additional spectrum for third generation wireless services, and to ensure that such allocations are consistent with allocations made worldwide. Specifically, spectrum from within the 1710-1850 MHz, 2110-2165 MHz, and 2500-2690 MHz bands should be reallocated for mobile services and made available for 3G. In addition, the CMRS spectrum cap and other ownership restrictions that limit a company's ability to get access to spectrum should be eliminated.

Regarding numbering, Mr. Tuller discussed the petition for reconsideration of the Commission's order on the use of N11 dialing codes that Verizon Wireless filed with the FCC on March 12, 2001. The Commission's new regulations regarding the use of 211 and 511 codes are inconsistent with Congressional mandates to eliminate regulation of wireless where it is no longer necessary and to rely instead on market forces. The

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Commission should reconsider its decision. Mr. Tuller also discussed the Commission's local number portability and number pooling requirements and the financial impact that those rules have on wireless operators.

Please include a copy of this ex parte presentation in the record for the above captioned proceeding. In accordance with § 1.1206 of the Commission's rules, an original and one copy of this ex parte presentation is being filed with the Secretary's office. If you have any questions, you may call me on (202) 336-7873.

cc: T. Sugrue