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**EX PARTE – Via Electronic Filing**

Ms. Magalie Roman Salas  
Secretary  
Federal Communications Commission  
The Portals  
445 12<sup>th</sup> Street, S.W.  
Washington, DC 20554

Re: CC Docket 96-45 (Rural Task Force Recommendation), and  
CC Docket Nos. 00-256, 96-45, 98-77, and 98-166 (Multi-Association  
Group Plan for Regulation of Interstate Service of Non-Price Cap Incumbent  
Local Exchange Carriers and Interexchange Carriers)

Dear Ms. Salas:

On July 30, 2001, Joel Lubin (of AT&T) and I (on behalf of AT&T, Western Wireless and GCI), met with Mr. Matthew Brill, Legal Adviser to Commissioner Abernathy, and Messrs. Lubin and Nakahata, and Mark Rubin (of Western Wireless) met with Mr. Jordan Goldstein, Senior Legal Advisor to Commissioner Copps, regarding the above-captioned proceedings. Our presentation is summarized in the *ex parte* letter to Magalie Roman Salas, Secretary, FCC, from John T. Nakahata, counsel to AT&T, GCI and Western Wireless, dated July 26, 2001 (July 26, 2001 *ex parte*), and attachments thereto. Copies of the written *ex partes* filed with our July 26, 2001 *ex parte* were provided to Messrs. Brill and Goldstein.

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In accordance with FCC rules, a copy of this letter and its attachments has been filed in each of the above-captioned dockets.

Sincerely,

/s/ John T. Nakahata

John T. Nakahata

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Attachments (3)

C (w/o attachments):

Mr. Matthew Brill, Legal Adviser to Commissioner Abernathy

Mr. Jordan Goldstein, Legal Adviser to Commissioner Copps

Mr. Bill Scher, Common Carrier Bureau