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EX PARTE – Via Electronic Filing

Ms. Magalie Roman Salas
Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
The Portals
445 12th 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 August 2, 2001, Joel Lubin (of AT&T), Mark Rubin (of Western Wireless) and I (on behalf of AT&T, Western Wireless and GCI), met with Ms. Carol Matthey, Deputy Bureau Chief, Common Carrier Bureau, Mr. Jack Zinman, Counsel to the Bureau Chief, and with Kyle Dixon, Legal Advisor to the Chairman, regarding the above-captioned proceedings.

On August 3, 2001, Joel Lubin (of AT&T), Mark Rubin (of Western Wireless) and I (on behalf of AT&T, Western Wireless and GCI), met with Commissioner Kevin Martin and Monica Desai, Legal Advisor to Commissioner Martin, regarding the above-captioned proceedings.

Our presentations are 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 all of the above-named parties.

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

Sincerely,



John T. Nakahata

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c (w/o attachments):

Commissioner Kevin Martin

Ms. Carol Matthey, Deputy Bureau Chief, Common Carrier Bureau

Mr. Jack Zinman, Counsel to the Bureau Chief

Mr. Kyle Dixon, Legal Advisor to the Chairman

Monica Desai, Legal Advisor to Commissioner Martin