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Ms. Magalie Roman Salas
Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, S.W. TW-A325
Washington, D.C. 20554

RE: **CC Docket No. 98-147, Ex Parte Presentation**
CC Docket No. 96-98, Ex Parte Presentation
CC Docket No. 99-216, Ex Parte Presentation

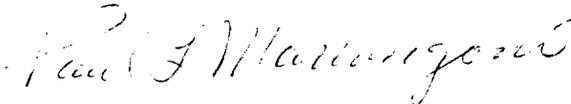
Dear Ms. Salas:

On Tuesday October 2, and Wednesday October 3, 2001, Paul L. Marrangoni, of the Federal Communications Commission's Office of Engineering and Technology, attended a meeting of Focus Group 3 (FG 3) of the fifth Network Reliability and Interoperability Council (NRIC V) held at the Federal Communications Commission in Washington, D.C. The members of FG 3 in attendance were: Pete Youngberg (Sprint), John Unruh (Lucent), Philip Kyees (Paradyne), Massimo Saorbara (Globespan), Gary Tennyson (Bell South), Greg Sherrill (Verizon), Robert Beard (AT&T), Paul Donaldson (MCI Worldcom), and the Chair of FG 3, Ed Eckert (Catena Networks). In addition, Jamal Boudhauia (Qwest) and Kevin Schneider (Adtran) participated in the meeting via telephone. Jessica Rosenworcel, Elizabeth Yockus, Rodney McDonald, Arron Goldberger, and Dennis Johnson, all members of the Commission's Common Carrier Bureau, monitored the meeting.

The entire NRIC V Focus Group 3 meeting was devoted to developing a white paper regarding the deployment of intermediate transceiver units (TUs) and related spectral compatibility issues regarding central office based DSL.

In accordance with section 1.1206(b)(2) of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. § 1.1206(b)(2), the original and 5 copies of this letter and attachment are being filed with for inclusion in the public record of the listed proceedings.

Sincerely,



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Office of Engineering and Technology
Federal Communications Commission