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Ms. Magalie Roman Salas
Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, SW Room TWB-204
Washington, DC 20554

Re: Ex Parte, CC Docket Nos. 96-45,98-77, 98-166 and 00-256

Dear Ms. Salas:

On October 3, 2001 Jim Cicconi had a telephone conversation with Commissioner Martin and his Legal Advisor, Sam Feder on rural access/USF reform. He described the importance of access/USF reform as described in AT&T's written comment in the referenced dockets and he urged that, for the reasons set forth in those comments, the Commission not further delay resolution of this critical matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Joel E. Lubin".

cc: K. Martin
S. Feder