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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION
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Ms. Magalie Roman Salas
Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
Room TW-A325
445 12th Street, S.W.
Washington, DC 20554

Re: In the Matter of Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service,
CC Docket No. 96-45

Dear Ms. Salas:

On October 5, 2001, Melissa Newman, Byron Watson, and I, all from Qwest, met with Katie King, Bryan Clopton, and Geoffrey Waldau of the Common Carrier Bureau and Bill Sharkey of the Office of Plans and Policy to discuss the Commission's universal service high cost model. During the meeting, the participants discussed the comments that Qwest filed with BellSouth and Sprint regarding the adoption of a Delphi version of the universal service high cost model and changes to the model proposed by various parties. Enclosed is a handout that was distributed at the meeting.

Please let me know if you have any questions about this matter. An original and three copies of this *ex parte* correspondence are provided. An additional copy is also provided, to be stamped as received and returned to the messenger who has been instructed to wait for it. Copies have been separately provided to the participants at the meeting.

Sincerely,


Craig J. Brown



cc: Katie King
Bill Sharkey
Bryan Clopton
Geoffrey Waldau

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Revisions to the Model

1. Delphi / Visual Basic versions
2. Corrections to the Model
 - a. Special access lines
 - b. Sizing of SAIs and other equipment
 - c. Updated customer location and road data
3. AT&T and WorldCom Issues
 - a. Use of “actual” geocode data
 - b. Feeder and distribution structure sharing
 - c. Structure sharing percentages
 - d. Other issues