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RE: CC Dkt. 96-98

Dear Ms. Salas,

On October 3, 2001, Jake Jennings, Vice President Regulatory Affairs, New South, and I met with Jeffrey Carlisle, Chris Libertelli, Julie Veach and Jeremy Miller, all of the FCC's Common Carrier Bureau. The purpose of the meeting was to discuss resolution of business and operational issues surrounding New South's conversion of special access circuits to loop transport combinations.

We explained that New South's business interests in converting special access circuits to loop transport combinations can and are being accommodated without any further changes to the FCC rules that govern such conversions.

This notice is being filed pursuant to Sec. 1.1206(b)(2) of the Commission's rules. If you have any questions concerning this filing, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Robert J. Blau _{-sell}

cc: Jeffrey Carlisle
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