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Ms. Magalie Roman Salas
Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 Twelfth Street, S. W. – Room TWB-204
Washington, D. C. 20554

Re: Ex parte, ET Docket No. 98-206, RM-9147, RM-9245, Amendment of Parts 2 and 25 of the Commission's Rules to Permit Operation of NGSO FSS Systems Co-Frequency with GSO and Terrestrial Systems in the Ku-Band Frequency Range

Dear Ms. Salas:

On Monday, December 3, 2001, Larrie Sutliff, Thomas Willis III, Martha Marcus and the undersigned, representing AT&T's Business Services Division, met via telephone with Thomas Derenge of the Office of Engineering and Technologies' Policy and Rules Division.

As AT&T indicated in its comments in the above-referenced proceeding, licensees should be given the flexibility to deploy any services or technologies that meet market demand in a particular geographic area, so long as the licensee ensures that these new uses do not cause unacceptable interference to existing users. In keeping with that principle we discussed the possible use of this spectrum for short range, point-to-point, 500 MHz bandwidth time division duplex systems. In such a configuration, each point-to-point path would need to be individually engineered to protect existing allocations, whether or not fully deployed. We suggested one way to accomplish this is to perform interference calculations for proposed point-to-point links based on power flux density at the potentially interfered-with receiver, taking into account the bandwidth occupied by the receiver.

One copy of this electronically filed Notice is being submitted to the Secretary of the FCC in accordance with Section 1.1206 of the Commission's rules and the FCC's Public Notice, DA 01-2436 (Oct. 17, 2001).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "F. Simone".

cc: T. Derenge