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Ms. Magalie Roman Salas  
Secretary  
Federal Communications Commission  
The Portals  
445 12<sup>th</sup> Street, S.W.  
Washington, DC 20554

Re: CC Docket Nos. 96-45 and 96-98

Dear Ms. Salas:

On November 14, 2001, the Common Carrier Bureau issued a public notice asking parties to refresh the record regarding reconsideration of rules adopted in the *Universal Service First Report and Order*,<sup>1</sup> *Local Competition First Report and Order*,<sup>2</sup> and *Local Competition Second Report and Order*.<sup>3</sup> See Public Notice, DA 01-2636 (rel. Nov. 14, 2001) ("Public Notice"). As noted in that Public Notice, General Communication Inc. ("GCI") had filed petitions for reconsideration of the *Universal Service First Report and Order* and the *Local Competition First Report and Order*. See Exhibit A to Public Notice.

GCI does not object to dismissal of its two petitions for reconsideration referenced in Appendices A and B of the Public Notice.

In accordance with FCC rules, a copy of this letter is being filed electronically in the above-captioned dockets.

Sincerely,

  
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Counsel to General Communication Inc.

<sup>1</sup> 12 FCC Rcd. 8776 (1997).

<sup>2</sup> 11 FCC Rcd. 15499 (1996).

<sup>3</sup> 11 FCC Rcd. 19392 (1996).