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Re: *Ex Parte* Communication in CC Docket Nos. 01-338, 96-98, 98-147

Dear Chairman Powell and Commissioners:

Please find attached letters from four representative facilities-based CLECs urging the Commission to retain access to loops and transport as unbundled network elements (“UNEs”). These letters explain the enormous price, customer service and technological benefits that these companies provide to small businesses because of their ability to purchase unbundled transmission facilities from the ILECs. The letters also stress the toll that removal of such facilities from the list of UNEs would have on small business customers.

Respectfully submitted,

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