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Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 Twelfth Street, S.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20554

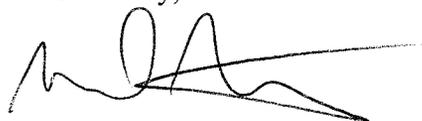
Re: *Ex Parte Presentation*, Review of the Section 251  
Unbundling Obligations of Incumbent Local Exchange  
Carriers, CC Docket Nos. 01-338, 96-98, 98-147

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On February 11, 2003, Donna Sorgi, Vice President of Federal Advocacy for WorldCom, spoke by telephone with Daniel Gonzalez, Senior Legal Advisor to Commissioner Martin. During the conversation, Ms. Sorgi expressed WorldCom's general support for the proposal advanced by the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners (NARUC) in a written *ex parte* filed in this proceeding on February 6, 2003<sup>1</sup>. Ms. Sorgi also noted that the proposal represents a compromise approach to the "impairment" issue and permits the assessment to be conducted on a granular basis, as directed by the D.C. Circuit in the *USTA* decision.

Pursuant to the Commission's rules, this letter is being provided to you for inclusion in the public record of the above-referenced proceeding.

Sincerely,



Gil M. Strobel

cc: Daniel Gonzalez

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<sup>1</sup> NARUC, *UNE Triennial Review: Principles and Standards for State Commissions*, filed with *ex parte* letter of James B. Ramsey, NARUC General Counsel (Feb. 6, 2003).