

August 1, 2003

Ms. Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 12<sup>th</sup> Street, S.W., TW-A325  
Washington, D.C. 20554

**Re: *Ex Parte* Notice**  
In the Matter of Telephone Number Portability, CC Docket No. 95-116

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On Thursday, July 31, individuals representing the rural wireless community met with representatives of the Wireless Telecommunications Bureau. Present at the meeting were Michael Kurtis from Kurtis & Associates, P.C.; Mark Hulshart of Hulshart & Associates; Carri Bennet and Greg Whiteaker from Bennet & Bennet, representing the Rural Telecommunications Group; Jeffrey Smith & Stephen Pastorkovich from the Organization for the Promotion and Advancement of Small Telecommunications Carriers (OPASTCO); Douglas Everette and Robert Jackson from Blooston, Mordkofsky, Dickens, Duffy & Prendergast and Jill Canfield from NTCA. Representatives of the Wireless Telecommunications Bureau included John Muleta, Jennifer Salhaus, Jennifer Tomchin, Catherine Seidel and Jared Carlson.

The group discussed the outstanding issues in the above-referenced proceeding and the need for rural wireless number portability guidelines and practices. The attached presentation was used and left with the Bureau staff.

In accordance with the Commission's rules, an original and two copies of this letter are being filed with the Secretary's Office. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Jill Canfield at 703-351-2020.

Sincerely,

/s/ Jill Canfield  
Jill Canfield  
Regulatory Counsel  
Legal and Industry

cc: John Muleta  
Jennifer Salhus  
Jennifer Tomchin  
Catherine Seidel  
Jared Carlson