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Ms. Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th 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, September 4, 2003, individuals representing the rural wireless and wireline community met with FCC Commissioner Michael J. Copps and his Spectrum and International Legal Advisor, Paul Margie to discuss the implementation of Wireless Local Number Portability. Present at the meeting were Greg Whiteaker from Bennet & Bennet, representing the Rural Telecommunications Group; Jeffrey Smith from the Organization for the Promotion and Advancement of Small Telecommunications Carriers (OPASTCO); Robert Jackson from Blooston, Mordkofsky, Dickens, Duffy & Prendergast and Jill Canfield from NTCA.

The group discussed the rural carriers' local rating and routing concerns, the need for local numbering resources, proposed porting intervals and how to handle outstanding customer contracts relating to the above reference matter. The information presented was consistent with each participant's previous filings in the number portability proceeding.

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
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cc: Cmr. Michael J. Copps
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