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Ms. Marlene H. Dortch
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EX PARTE

CC Docket No. 00-199 – 2000 Biennial Review – Comprehensive Review of Accounting Requirements; WC Docket No. 02-269 – Federal-State Joint Conference on Accounting Issues

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On September 12, 2003 Joann Barron and the undersigned representing Verizon, Mary Henze representing BellSouth, Michelle Thomas representing SBC and Betty Knapp (via conference line) representing QWEST met with Anthony Dale and Jason Williams of Commissioner Martin's office on the above referenced matters. The discussion focused on the Comments and Reply Comments filed by the meeting parties in the above referenced dockets.

An original and one copy of this Ex Parte are being filed in the Office of the Secretary today, September 15, 2003. Please include it in the public record of the above referenced proceeding as required under Section 1.1206(b)(1) of the Commission's rules.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Gerald Asch".

cc: Mr. Dale
Mr. Williams
Ms. Barron
Ms. Henze
Ms. Thomas
Ms. Knapp