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**Ex Parte**

Marlene H. Dortch  
Secretary  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 12th Street, SW  
Washington, DC 20554

Re: Rural Health Care Support Mechanism, WC Docket No. 02-60

Dear Ms. Dortch:

Yesterday, Katherine O'Hara, Ann Rakestraw and Clint Odom of Verizon met with Christopher Libertelli, Legal Advisor to Chairman Michael Powell to discuss proposed modifications to rules and other changes governing the rural health care universal service support mechanism (FCC 02-122, rel. April 19, 2002) in the above-referenced proceeding. Verizon re-iterated the points raised in its filed comments in this proceeding.

If you have any questions, please contact me directly,

Sincerely,

/s/ Clint Odom

cc: Christopher Libertelli