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ALLIANCE

February 6, 2004

VIA ELECTRONIC FILING

Ms. Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20554

Re: ***International Settlements Policy Reform/International Settlement Rates, IB Docket Nos. 02-324, 96-261***

Dear Ms. Dortch:

Pursuant to Section 1.1206 of the Commission's rules, the CompTel/ASCENT Alliance hereby gives notice that on February 6, 2004, its representatives met with: Anna Gomez, Deputy Chief, International Bureau; James Ball, Chief, Policy Division, International Bureau; David Strickland, Attorney Advisor, Policy Division, International Bureau; Douglas Webbink, Chief Economist, Policy Division, International Bureau; Sasha Field, Assistant Division Chief, Policy Division, International Bureau; and, Mark Uretsky, Policy Division, International Bureau.

In this meeting, the CompTel/ASCENT Alliance explained that, in order to protect U.S. consumers and carriers from harm caused by a lack of competition in the foreign mobile termination market, the Commission must respond to restrain foreign mobile termination rates. Since foreign mobile termination rates directly threaten to erode the benefits of lower termination rates for U.S. consumers and carriers, the Commission must confirm that all outbound mobile terminating traffic must settle at or below Benchmark rates; that unilateral increases by foreign carriers of mobile termination rates are impermissible; and, that the Commission will initiate a *Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking* ("FNPRM") to establish lower Benchmarks for mobile terminating traffic.

Representing the CompTel/ASCENT Alliance were Doug Schoenberger, AT&T; Ivana Kriznic, BT; Scott Shefferman, MCI; David Nall, Sprint; and the undersigned attorney.

Sincerely,

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