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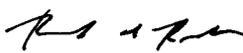
Re: *Notice of Ex Parte Presentation*
(CC Docket No. 01-92 and CC Docket No. 96-262)

Dear Ms. Dortch:

This is to advise you that, on February 16, 2004, Peter Healy (Manager-CLEC External Relations) and Mark Jenn (Manager-CLEC Federal Affairs), TDS Metrocom, LLC, via teleconference, and the undersigned, personally, met with Jessica Rosenworcel (Commissioner Copps' Competition and Universal Service Legal Advisor) to discuss issues relating to proposed Commission action on Qwest's Petition for Clarification or Reconsideration of the CLEC Access Charge Order, TDS' Petition for Reconsideration of that Order, and the US LEC Petition for Declaratory Ruling. The substance of the discussions related to the history of CLEC/CMRS arrangements in the industry, the appropriateness of any action by the Commission other than a reaffirmation that CLECs are entitled to the full benchmark rate, regardless of how they provision their services and what functions they perform, and the need to permit CLECs to demonstrate their costs are higher than the ILEC once the access rates reach the ILEC level.

Pursuant to the Commission's *ex parte* rules, this letter is being filed electronically in the above-referenced docket. Please direct any questions regarding this filing to the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,

By: 
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