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Ms. Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary  
Office of the Secretary  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 12<sup>th</sup> Street, SW  
Washington, DC 20554

**Re: Ex Parte Letter  
CC Docket 96-45**

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On March 25, 2004, Caressa Bennet and Rebecca Murphy, counsel for Advantage Systems Cellular, Inc. ("Advantage"), and Leslie Greer, Chief Executive Officer of Advantage, met with Commissioner Martin's Senior Legal Advisor, Daniel Gonzalez to discuss Advantage's Petition to be Designated as an ETC in the State of Tennessee. Mr. Greer discussed the unique circumstances regarding its ETC designation request as set forth in its application and supplement thereto and the timing of the Federal Communications Commission's decision on Advantage's application.

If you have any questions regarding this filing, please communicate directly with the undersigned.

Sincerely,

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/s/

Rebecca Murphy  
Counsel to Advantage Cellular Systems, Inc.

cc: Daniel Gonzalez