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*EX PARTE*

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Ms. Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 12<sup>th</sup> Street, S.W., TW-A325  
Washington, DC 20554

Re: *In the Matter of Review of the Section 251 Unbundling Obligations of Incumbent Local Exchange Carriers; Implementation of the Local Competition Provision of the Telecommunications Act of 1996; Deployment of Wireline Services Offering Advanced Telecommunications Capability, CC Docket Nos.01-338, 96-98 and 98-147; Review of Regulatory Requirements for Incumbent LEC Broadband Telecommunications Services, CC Docket No. 01-337; Appropriate Framework for Broadband Access to the Internet Over Wireline Facilities; Universal Service Obligations of Broadband Providers; Computer III Further Remand Proceedings, Docket Nos. CC 02-33, 95-20, 98-10, and In the Matter of IP-Enabled Services, WC Docket No. 04-36*

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On April 1, 2004, Steve Davis, Senior Vice President-Government Affairs, Melissa Newman, and Cronan O'Connell, Vice Presidents-Federal Regulatory of Qwest Communications International Inc. ("Qwest"), met with William Maher, Jeffrey Carlisle, Michelle Carey, Tamara Preiss, Thomas Navin, Julie Veach, Jennifer McKee and Margaret Dailey of the Federal Communications Commission's Wireline Competition Bureau. In particular, we discussed VoIP, Triennial Review and Broadband DSL issues. With regards to VoIP, Qwest highlighted areas that we believe require expedited Commission action including USF and access charge issues.

Qwest also discussed our Petition for Rulemaking to Adopt Interim Unbundling Rules following remand of the Triennial Review Order as filed on March 29, 2004. Further, Qwest urged the Commission to expeditiously address the asymmetric regulation between DSL and cable modem access. The discussions were consistent with Qwest's comments and *ex partes* as filed on the record in the TRO and Broadband DSL proceedings.

In accordance with Commission Rule 47 C.F.R. § 1.49(f), this *ex parte* letter is being filed electronically for inclusion in the public record of the above-referenced proceedings pursuant to Commission's Rule 47 C.F.R. § 1.1206(b)(2).

Sincerely,  
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