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BY E-MAIL

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

**Re: *EX PARTE* PRESENTATION: New Part 4 of the Commission's
Rules Concerning Disruptions to Communications, ET Docket No. 04-
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Dear Ms. Dortch:

On October 26, 2004, Sprint met with Ed Thomas, Chief of the Office of Engineering and Technology (OET) and Jeffrey Goldthorp, Chief of OET's Network Technology Division to discuss certain issues raised by the Commission's *Report and Order*, FCC 04-188 released August 18, 2004 in the above-referenced proceeding. The Sprint representatives attending the meeting were Luisa Lancetti, Vice President – Wireless Regulatory Affairs, John Quigley, Director, Network Engineering, Brad McManus, Senior Manager, Networks, Charles McKee, General Attorney and the undersigned.

The matters discussed related to the application of certain of the outage reporting requirements to wireless carriers and non-facilities-based wireless providers; the Commission's discussion in its *Report and Order* of protect circuits and planned outages; and the process for withdrawing initial notifications and reports of outages that turn out not to meet the reporting criteria.

Respectfully submitted,

c: Ed Thomas (by email)
Jeffrey Goldthorp (by email)