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

Re: WC 03-211; Vonage Petition for Declaratory Ruling

Dear Ms. Dortch:

Pursuant to Section 1.1206 of the Federal Communications Commission's ("FCC") Rules, this letter serves to provide notice in the above-captioned proceeding of an *ex parte* meeting held yesterday. The undersigned accompanied Mr. Chris Murray of Vonage Holdings Corp. ("Vonage") to meet with Jeffrey Carlisle, Michelle Carey, Pamela Arluk, Terri Natoli, and Julie Veach.

The purpose of the meeting was to discuss Vonage's service and the Petition for Declaratory Ruling under consideration. Vonage emphasized that an Order on its Petition would help facilitate investment in new broadband communications facilities, and that certainty in the VoIP marketplace with respect to jurisdictional issues would allow VoIP providers to better meet important public policy goals. Providing jurisdictional clarity will better allow Vonage to pursue an aggressive nationwide rollout of new Enhanced 911 services, expand services to rural markets (and thereby offer savings to rural consumers), and deploy solutions that facilitate law enforcement access to new Internet technologies. Vonage informed the Commission that the Eighth Circuit Court of Appeals will hear the merits of Minnesota's appeal of the case below on November 17th. In order to be given due consideration, Vonage advised the Commission that it must release its written order in the docket well in advance of this date.

