

January 12, 2005

VIA ELECTRONIC FILING

Marlene H. Dortch
Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, S.W.
Washington, DC 20554

Re: Ex Parte, CC Dockets 98-141 and 98-184

Dear Ms. Dortch:

Pursuant to Section 1.1206 of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. § 1.1206, this letter provides notice that on January 12, 2005, Russell Blau, Paul Hudson and Phillip Macres of Swidler Berlin, LLP met with Christopher Libertelli, senior legal advisor to Chairman Powell, on behalf of Access One, Inc.; ACN Communications Services, Inc.; Alpheus Communications, L.P. f/k/a El Paso Networks, L.P.; ATX Communications, Inc.; Biddeford Internet Corporation d/b/a Great Works Internet; Big River Telephone Company, LLC; BridgeCom International, Inc.; Broadview Networks, Inc.; BullsEye Telecom, Inc.; Capital Telecommunications, Inc.; Cavalier Telephone, LLC; CTC Communications Corp.; CTSI, Inc.; DSLnet Communications, LLC; Focal Communications Corp.; Freedom Ring Communications, LLC d/b/a BayRing Communications; Gillette Global Network, Inc. d/b/a Eureka Networks; Globalcom, Inc.; Intelcom Solutions, Inc.; KMC Telecom Holdings, Inc.; Lightship Telecom, LLC; Lightwave Communications, LLC; Lightyear Network Solutions, LLC; McGraw Communications, Inc.; McLeodUSA Inc.; Metropolitan Telecommunications, Inc. d/b/a MetTel; Mpower Communications Corp.; NTELOS Network, Inc.; R&B Network Inc.; RCN Telecom Services, Inc.; segTel, Inc.; TDS Metrocom, LLC; US LEC Corp.; and Vycera Communications, Inc. f/k/a Genesis Communications Int'l, Inc. The purpose of the meeting was to urge the Commission to adopt these parties' Petition for Declaratory Ruling filed in these proceedings on September 9, 2004, and to elaborate as to how the petition relates to current events. In particular, we emphasized that Commission action prior to the effective date of its forthcoming UNE order would provide needed clarity to CLECs, SBC and Verizon, and the state commissions.

Respectfully submitted,



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cc: Christopher Libertelli