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

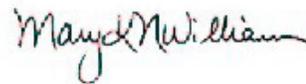
Re: *Implementation of Section 304 of the Telecommunications Act of 1996;  
Commercial Availability of Navigation Devices, CS Docket No. 97-80  
Compatibility Between Cable Systems and Consumer Electronics Equipment,  
PP Docket No. 00-67; Ex Parte Communication*

Dear Ms. Dortch:

This letter is submitted pursuant to Section 1.1206(b)(2) of the Commission's Rules to provide notice of a permitted oral *ex parte* presentation in the above-referenced proceedings. On January 26, 2005, Craig Mundie of Microsoft Corporation met with Chairman Powell at the World Economic Forum in Davos, Switzerland. They discussed issues relating to the upcoming deadline for cable set-top box reliance on separable security, and explored the relationship of this issue to potential future technology and policy issues related to the integration of future digital cable devices with other networked entertainment and communications devices.

Please address any questions to the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,



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