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VIA ELECTRONIC SUBMISSION

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

RE: Notice of Ex Parte – Level 3 Communications LLC Petition for Forbearance Under 47 U.S.C. § 160(c) from Enforcement of 47 U.S.C. § 251(g), Rule 51.701(b)(1), and Rule 69.5(b), WC Docket No. 03-266

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On behalf of SBC Communications, Inc., James C. Smith, Jack Zinman and I met with Chairman Martin and Dan Gonzalez on March 21, 2005, to discuss the above-referenced petition filed by Level 3 Communications LLC (Level 3). During the meeting, we urged the Commission to deny Level 3's petition and to instead proceed expeditiously with comprehensive intercarrier compensation reform. All of the matters discussed during the meeting were consistent with our previous filings in this docket.

Pursuant to section 1.1206 of the Commission's rules, this letter is being filed electronically with the Commission.

Sincerely,

/s/ Eric N. Einhorn

CC: Chairman Martin (*electronic copy*)
Dan Gonzalez (*electronic copy*)