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**VIA ELECTRONIC SUBMISSION**

Ms. Marlene H. Dortch  
Secretary  
Office of the Secretary  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 12<sup>th</sup> Street, SW  
Washington, DC 20554

**Re: Notice of Ex Parte Statement**  
WC Docket Nos. 04-36 and 04-29

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On April 25, 2005, James C. Smith, Senior Vice President, Forrest Miller, Group President – External Affairs and Planning, and Randall Stephenson, Chief Operating Officer, on behalf of SBC Communications, Inc. (SBC) met in separate meetings with Chairman Martin along with Dan Gonzalez, and Commissioner Abernathy along with John Stanley. The purpose of the meetings was to urge positive action on SBC's pending petition for declaratory ruling and petition for forbearance regarding IP Platform Services. The arguments advanced in support of SBC's petitions were consistent with positions SBC has set forth in its pleadings filed in the above referenced proceedings.

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

Please contact the undersigned at (202) 326-8883 should you have any questions.

Sincerely,

/s/ James K. Smith

*cc (via electronic mail)*

Chairman Kevin J. Martin  
Commissioner Kathleen Q. Abernathy  
Daniel Gonzalez  
John Stanley