

April 27, 2006

Ms. Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 12th Street, SW  
12th Street Lobby, TW-A325  
Washington, D.C. 20554

Re: ***Ex Parte*** Submission  
WT Docket No. 05-211

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On Thursday, April 20, 2006, Paul Garnett, Assistant Vice President, Regulatory Affairs, and Nick Kolovos, Director, Government Affairs, CTIA - The Wireless Association®, attended a meeting convened by the Congressional Hispanic Caucus to discuss proposals before the Commission to modify its designated entity (“DE”) rules. At the meeting, CTIA expressed its concerns regarding the Commission’s tentative conclusion that it should restrict award of DE benefits in the upcoming Advanced Wireless Services auction to otherwise qualified entities with a “material relationship” with a “large in-region incumbent wireless service provider.” CTIA expressed its view that the Commission’s DE proposal would unfairly limit the ability of DEs to partner with large, in-region wireless providers, while providing little or no corresponding benefits. In attendance at the meeting was Diego T. Ruiz, Deputy Chief, Office of Strategic Planning and Policy Analysis, Federal Communications Commission. Although CTIA did not initiate this contact, out of abundant caution and pursuant to Section 1.1206 of the Commission’s rules, CTIA hereby electronically files this letter with your office. If you have any questions concerning this submission, please contact the undersigned.

Sincerely,

*/s/ Paul Garnett*

Paul Garnett

cc: Diego T. Ruiz