



May 3, 2006

Ms. Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, SW
Portals II, Room TW-A325
Washington, DC 20554

EX PARTE NOTICE

Re: *SBC Petition for Declaratory Ruling That UniPoint Enhanced Services, Inc. d/b/a PointOne and Other Wholesale Transmission Providers Are Liable for Access Charges, WC Docket No. 05-276; Grande Communications' Petition For Declaratory Ruling Regarding Intercarrier Compensation For IP-Originated Calls, WC Docket No. 05-283*

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On May 2, 2005, James Olson and I, on behalf of the United States Telecom Association (USTelecom) and Trent Boaldin on behalf of EPIC TOUCH met with Tamara Preiss, Steve Morris, and Jennifer McKee of the Pricing Policy Division of the Wireline Competition Bureau to discuss USTelecom's positions in comments and reply comments filed in these two dockets. USTelecom urged the Commission to act promptly, specifically to:

- (1) Grant, as soon as possible, AT&T's petition in WC Docket No. 05-276 for a ruling that will allow AT&T to recover access charge revenue to which it is due under explicit Commission precedent regarding "IP-in-the-Middle" toll traffic;
- (2) Grant, also as soon as possible, Frontier's petition in WC Docket No. 05-276 seeking payment for the Feature Group-A call services it is providing for the origination of interLATA voice communications;
- (3) Deny VarTec's petition in WC Docket No. 05-276 seeking assistance in its effort to escape liability for knowingly routing voice communications access traffic through third-party providers that refuse to pay for the terminating access services on that traffic; and
- (4) Deny Grande's petition in WC Docket No. 05-283 seeking Commission blessing for a proposed call laundering scheme that would re-label traffic to, in effect, unlawfully obtain and resell terminating access services at reciprocal compensation rates.

Pursuant to Section 1.1206(b) of the Commission's rules, one copy of this electronic notice is being filed in the above-referenced docket. Please call me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Jeffrey S Lanning
Associate General Counsel

cc: Tamara Preiss, Steve Morris, and Jennifer McKee