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July 12, 2006

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

**Re: Ex Parte Presentation
EB Docket Nos. 04-296, 06-119**

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On July 11, 2006, Scott B. Tollefsen, General Counsel of USA Mobility, Inc., along with Sam Logan and the undersigned, both of Latham & Watkins LLP, met with the following members of the Commission's staff regarding the development of a new emergency alert system: Gregory Cooke, of the Enforcement Bureau; Sherille Ismail and Robert Cannon, of the Office of Strategic Planning; Walter Johnston, of the Office of Engineering and Technology; and Timothy Peterson, of the Office of Managing Director. Pursuant to Section 1.1206 of the Commission's rules, a copy of this letter, along with all of the materials distributed at the meetings, are being filed via ECFS with your office.

The purpose of the meeting was to provide information on USA Mobility's vital role in facilitating emergency communications and to underscore the distinctive attributes of paging services in connection with the development of a redundant, multi-platform alert system. We expressed support for the Commission's proposed expansion of the EAS and discussed USA Mobility's ability to disseminate alert messages using its point-to-multipoint capabilities. We also discussed the exemplary performance and reliability of USA Mobility's text-messaging services during Hurricane Katrina and in the storm's aftermath, as recognized by the Independent Panel Reviewing the Impact of Hurricane Katrina on Communications Networks.

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Please contact the undersigned if you have any questions regarding this notice.

Sincerely,

/s/ Matthew A. Brill

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