

July 18, 2006

**SUBMITTED ELECTRONICALLY**

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

**Re: WT Docket 04-344; Amendment of the Commission's Rules Regarding Maritime Automatic Identification Systems ("AIS Proceeding"); NOTICE OF EX PARTE PRESENTATION; Filed Electronically**

Dear Ms. Dortch:

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 1.1206(b) of the rules and regulations of the Federal Communications Commission ("FCC"), this letter provides notice of a meeting on July 17, 2006 between the undersigned counsel for MariTEL, Inc. ("MariTEL") and Angela Giancarlo, legal advisor to Commissioner McDowell.

At the meeting, I discussed the impact that the FCC's current proposal to allocate channel 87B for use by Automatic Identification Systems ("AIS") would have on MariTEL as the licensee of maritime VHF Public Coast ("VPC") stations. The attached presentation, which summarizes the issues I raised, was circulated at the meeting and discussed.

If there are any questions regarding the foregoing or attached, please contact the undersigned.

Very truly yours,

*/s/ Russell H. Fox*

Russell H. Fox

cc: Angela Giancarlo (electronically with attachment)