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

RE: *In the Matter of Implementation of Section 621(a)(1) of the Cable Communications Policy Act of 1984 as amended by the Cable Television Consumer Protection and Competition Act of 1992, MB Docket No. 05-311*

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On July 19, 2006, Melissa Newman, Lynn Starr and Bob McKenna of Qwest met with Matthew Berry, Christopher Killion and Susan Aaron of the Office of General Counsel regarding the above-captioned proceeding.

In particular, Qwest reiterated its position that mandatory build-out requirements for second entrants in the cable video business are contrary to sound public policy and the law. Qwest's views in these meetings were consistent with its comments filed in the record. Qwest will be filing shortly a legal memorandum in this docket, setting forth in more detail its views on mandatory build-out requirements.

Sincerely,

/s/ Melissa E. Newman

Copy via email to:
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