



July 28, 2006

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

**EX PARTE NOTICE**

Re: *Implementation of Section 621(a)(1) of the Communications Act,*  
MB Docket No. 05-311

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On July 27, 2006, James Olson and I, on behalf of the United States Telecom Association (USTelecom) met with Donna Gregg, Rosemary Harold, Mary Beth Murphy, Holly Saurer, and Brendan Murray of the Media Bureau, and Matthew Barry of the Office of General Counsel to discuss franchise barriers to entry in markets for the distribution of video programming. The discussion was consistent with USTelecom's filings in the docket.

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: Donna Gregg  
Rosemary Harold  
Matthew Barry  
Mary Beth Murphy  
Holly Saurer  
Brendan Murray