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Ms. Marlene H. Dortch  
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**Re: *Ex Parte* Presentation CC Docket Nos. 01-92 and 96-45**

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On August 15, 2006, I spoke with Commissioner Jonathan Adelstein by telephone to discuss the federal universal service programs and intercarrier compensation. We discussed certain portions of the Missoula Plan. Specific topics of discussion were:

1. The need for rate rebalancing among the states.
2. The early adopter provisions of the Missoula Plan and my opinion that the amount set aside for the early adopter states will not be sufficient.
3. A distribution mechanism for states to allocate funding where states have distribution mechanisms in place.
4. The need to ensure that states with high-cost funds are treated fairly in comparison with states that do not have high-cost programs.
5. The rural/nonrural company disparity issues and the need for subscribers in rural areas to be treated in a nondiscriminatory manner.
6. The concern that the Missoula Plan will have an adverse effect on number conservation and all efforts to keep area codes from exhaust.

We also discussed the federal schools and libraries program.

Pursuant to Section 1.1206 of the Commission's rules, a copy of this letter is being filed via ECFS with your office. Should you have any questions, please contact me at (402) 471-3101.

Sincerely,

/s/ Anne C. Boyle  
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Commissioner, NPSC

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