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## **BY ELECTRONIC FILING**

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

Re: CC Docket 01-92; WC Docket 05-337 –  
Notice of *Ex Parte* Presentation

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On August 24, 2006, Commissioner McDowell and his Confidential Assistant Brigid Calamis met with the following representatives of Alaska Communications Systems Group, Inc. (“ACS”): Liane Pelletier, David Eisenberg, Leonard Steinberg, Tom Meade, Ted Moninski, and Meghan Stapleton. Among the topics discussed were the Commission’s pending rulemaking on the rural high-cost funding mechanism, and specifically the use of competitive bidding currently under consideration by the Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service (WC Docket 05-337), and the Commission’s request for comment on the “Missoula Plan” recently filed in CC Docket 01-92. As summarized by the enclosed material, the relationship between the two proceedings was discussed. Please direct any questions concerning this matter to me.

Very truly yours,

/s/ Karen Brinkmann  
Counsel to ACS

Enclosure

cc: Hon. Robert M. McDowell  
Brigid Nealon Calamis, Office of Commissioner McDowell