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

**Re: Notice of Ex Parte Presentation, CC Docket No. 96-115
Telecommunications Carriers' Use of Customer Proprietary
Network Information and Other Customer Information**

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On November 6, 2006, the Anti-Pretexting Working Group ("Group")¹ met with Michelle Carey, Senior Legal Advisor to Chairman Martin. The Group includes a broad spectrum of ILECs, Wireless Carriers, Cable Operators and a major CLEC ("service providers").

We discussed: (1) the Group's authentication best practices filed in the *ex parte* docket last week, (2) the scope of account activity that should be subject to secure authentication, (3) the Group's efforts to develop best practices on notifying customers regarding acts of pretexting, (4) additional issues that the Group's best practices might address, (5) the Group's concerns regarding avoiding providing a roadmap to pretexters regarding security measures used to prevent pretexting, and (6) the Commission consider the observance of industry best practices as a safe harbor for complying with new security rules.

¹ The Anti-Pretexting Working Group was represented by Jim Halpert and David Lieber, DLA Piper US LLP, counsel to the Working Group. Among the participating companies, the following companies were present at the meeting: Heidi Salow, Sprint Nextel Corporation; Steven Teplitz, on behalf of Time Warner Cable; Donna Epps, Sarah Deutsch, and Karen Zacharia, Verizon; Megan Delany, Charter Communications; Toke Vandervoort and Lisa Youngers, XO Communications; Celia Nogales, AT&T Services; and Melissa Newman, Qwest, who joined the meeting by conference call.



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Consistent with the Commission's ex parte rules, please associate this letter, which is being filed electronically, with the above-captioned docket. Please contact me you have any questions related to this filing.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Jim Halpert'.

Jim Halpert

Counsel to the Anti-Pretexting Working Group

cc: Michelle Carey
Enclosures