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Ex Parte

Ms. Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20554

Re: Telecommunications Relay Services (TRS) and Speech-to-Speech Services for Individuals with Hearing and Speech Disabilities, CG Docket No. 03-123

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On December 7, 2006, Sandra O'Brien, Rita Beier, Steve Snedegar, Sherry Ingram and myself (all from Verizon) joined other industry and consumer representatives in a discussion of Telecommunications Relay Fraud issues convened by the FCC Consumer and Governmental Affairs Bureau. Attending from the FCC were Monica Desai, Jay Keithley, Thomas Chandler and Greg Hlibok.

In the course of the discussion, Verizon reiterated points made in its July filing in the fraud proceeding. Like other Relay Providers, Verizon has implemented fraud prevention procedures that have dramatically reduced the amount of fraud calls placed through our Relay Service. Verizon urges the FCC to adopt rules that allow Relay Providers to develop criteria for identifying and tracking fraudulent calls and that give Providers the flexibility to address the ever-changing nature of this fraud.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions about this matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Richard T. Ellis".

cc: Monica Desai
Jay Keithley
Thomas Chandler