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NOTICE OF EX PARTE PRESENTATION

December 22, 2006

VIA ECFS

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

RE: Developing a Unified Intercarrier Compensation regime/Missoula Plan Phantom Traffic Interim Process CC Docket No. 01-92 and High-Cost Universal Service Support WC Docket No. 05-337

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On December 21, 2006 Daniel Hesse, David Zesiger and I representing Embarq, met with Commissioner Michael J. Copps and John Branscome, Chief of the Spectrum and Competition Policy Division to discuss the above-referenced dockets.

During the meeting, we discussed Embarq's participation in the Missoula Group process and the positive results the Missoula Interim Phantom Traffic proposal would accomplish. In addition, we discussed the challenges posed by a reverse auction concept, which were raised in Embarq's comments in the docket. We also discussed how universal service support could be better targeted to truly high-cost areas and tied to the carrier-of-last-resort obligation.

Pursuant to Section 1.1206(b)(2) of the Commission's rules, an electronic copy of the letter is being filed for inclusion in the above-referenced dockets. Please direct any questions regarding this filing to the undersigned.

Sincerely,

David C. Bartlett
Vice President Federal Government Affairs

cc: Commissioner Michael J. Copps
John Branscome