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May 8, 2007

EX PARTE – Via Electronic Filing

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

Re: *Petition for Rulemaking of Fibertech Networks, LLC,
RM-11303.*

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On May 7, 2007, on behalf of Fibertech Networks, LLC (“Fibertech”), Frank Chiaino, Chief Operating Officer of Fibertech, Charles Stockdale, General Counsel of Fibertech, John Nakahata of Harris Wiltshire & Grannis, LLP, and I met with Commissioner Copps and his legal advisors Scott Deutchman and Bruce Gottlieb. We also met with Commissioner Adelstein and his legal advisor Scott Bergmann. We also met with Nick Alexander, Acting Legal Advisor to Commissioner Tate.

In these meetings, we made the point that reform of the pole attachment rules is a critical part of any wireline broadband strategy and implementation of Section 706 of the Telecommunications Act of 1996, and will ensure that market forces drive broadband deployment by all companies to the maximum extent possible. Without timely, efficient and cost-effective access to poles, new broadband networks will be stymied. Accordingly, attachers should have the ability to place attachments on the field side of the pole, which has been the general practice in Connecticut without any adverse impact on safety. The time to complete the pole licensing process must also be compressed, with the backstop ability for attachers to use temporary attachments during the licensing and make-ready process. We also discussed issues summarized in Fibertech’s previous filings in this proceeding, and in the attachment to this *ex parte*.

In accordance with the Commission’s rules, I am filing this letter electronically in the docket identified above.

Sincerely,

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Brita D. Strandberg

Ms. Marlene H. Dortch

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Cc: Commissioner Copps
Commissioner Adelstein
Scott Deutchman
Bruce Gottlieb
Nicholas Alexander
Scott Bergmann
Jeremy Miller