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

Re: Ex Parte Notice - CC Docket No. 96-45

This letter is to inform you that on June 8, 2007, TDS Telecommunications through its representative Robert J. DeBroux met with Ray Baum, State Chair of the Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service. The discussion concerned universal service reform, particularly the efforts of rural associations to address the questions raised by the Joint Board. Mr. DeBroux and Mr. Baum also discussed the issue of intercarrier compensation as it relates to universal service reform.

Sincerely,

/s/ Gerard J. Waldron

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