



July 13, 2007

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Ms. Marlene H. Dortch
Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 Twelfth Street, SW
Washington, DC 20554

Re: Ex Parte Notice; WC Docket No. 05-25, RM-10593

Dear Ms. Dortch,

Pursuant to Section 1.1206 of the Commission's rules, COMPTEL hereby gives notice that, on July 12, 2007, Jonathan Lee, General Counsel, of COMPTEL and the undersigned met with John Hunter, Chief of Staff and Senior Legal Advisor to Commissioner McDowell, with regard to the above-referenced proceedings.

Consistent with comments in this proceeding, COMPTEL discussed the barriers to entry in the special access market, which have, thus far, prevented market forces from disciplining the Bells' exercise of market power under the current pricing flexibility regime. COMPTEL stressed that the conditions in the merger proceedings did not sufficiently address the harms in the special access market and emphasized that the Commission indicated that it would address them in this pending rulemaking proceeding.¹ COMPTEL also suggested that the Commission incorporate the data from the merger orders, including the redacted information, into this proceeding.

Sincerely,
/s/ Karen Reidy
Vice President, Regulatory Affairs

cc: John Hunter

¹ See, e.g., *SBC Communications Inc. and AT&T Corp. Applications for Approval Transfer of Control*, WC Docket No. 05-65, FCC 05-183, ¶ 35 (2005).