

July 20, 2007

Ex Parte – Via Electronic Filing

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

Re: *Petitions of Verizon Telephone Companies for Forbearance Pursuant to
47 U.S.C. § 160(c) in the Boston, New York, Philadelphia, Pittsburgh,
Providence and Virginia Beach Metropolitan Statistical Areas, WC
Docket No. 06-172*

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On July 19, 2007, Christopher Putala, Executive Vice President, Public Policy, EarthLink, Inc. and Eddie Fritts of The Fritts Group met with Commissioner Michael J. Copps, Scott Deutchman, Competition and Universal Service Legal Advisor, and Bruce Gottlieb, Wireless and International Legal Advisor. The points made during that meeting have been previously discussed in the above captioned docket.

Please let me know if you have any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,


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Counsel for EarthLink, Inc.