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Ms. Marlene H. Dortch  
Secretary  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 12 Street, SW  
Washington, D.C. 20544

Re: *Ex Parte Notice in WC Docket Nos. 05-25, 06-125, and 06-147*

Dear Ms. Dortch:

Pursuant to Section 1.1206 of the Commission's rules, COMPTEL hereby gives notice that, on October 5, 2007, its representative had two separate brief meetings, via teleconference, with the FCC; one with Commissioner Robert McDowell, and another with John Hunter, Chief of Staff and Senior Legal Advisor to Commissioner Robert McDowell. In these meetings, COMPTEL urged the Commission to deny the broadband forbearance petitions in docket no. 06-125, and to deny in part the petitions filed in docket no. 06-147. To the degree the Commission believes that the public interest is served by granting the petitioners any relief with respect to special access-based retail business services, COMPTEL explained that the better docket, for public interest purposes, would be the special access rulemaking in docket no. 05-25. COMPTEL also discussed, in general terms, a summary version of a holistic solution that COMPTEL, Ad Hoc Telecommunications Users Group, Time Warner Telecom, TelNet Worldwide, NuVox and XO Communications were planning to file with the Commission on October 9, 2007. COMPTEL explained that this proposal was designed to address the concerns of all stakeholders in the special access rulemaking: purchasers (both wholesale and retail), fiber-based competitors to the Bells, and the incumbent LECs themselves (who will have a clearer path to more complete deregulation, assuming that real competition exists in the marketplace). Representing COMPTEL was the undersigned attorney.

Sincerely,

Jonathan Lee