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EX PARTE

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

Re: *In the Matter of the Qwest Petition for Forbearance Under 47 U.S.C. Section 160(c) from Title II and Computer Inquiry Rules with Respect to Broadband Services, WC 06-125*

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On October 19, 2007, Shirley Bloomfield and Melissa Newman met with John Hunter, Legal Advisor to Commissioner McDowell, regarding the above-captioned proceeding.

Qwest stressed the need for the Commission to grant the pending forbearance petition, especially in the light of the fact that both Verizon and AT&T have been granted this regulatory relief.

This *ex parte* is being filed electronically pursuant to 47 C.F.R. §§ 1.49(f) and 1.1206(b). Please contact me at 202.429.3120 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

/s/ Melissa E. Newman

Copy via email to:  
John Hunter