



April 29, 2008

Ms. Marlene Dortch  
Secretary  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 12<sup>th</sup> Street, SW  
Room TW-A325  
Washington, D.C. 20554

Dear Ms. Dortch:

**RE: Ex parte filing in WC Docket No. 08-4**

On April 29, Jeffrey H. Smith from GVNW Consulting, Inc. met telephonically with John Hunter of Commissioner McDowell's office.

In its reply comment filing on March 5, 2008, Hawaiian Telcom, Inc. expressed some surprise that GVNW Consulting had opposed its petition (footnote 23) when GVNW had supported a TelHawaii waiver in 1997. Our discussions focused on the differences in the industry USF environment between 1997 and 2008, and the current implications of granting Hawaiian Telcom a waiver at the time that the Commission is appropriately dealing with federal USF issues in its three current Notices of Proposed Rulemaking.

As required by the Commission's rules, this ex parte record is now filed in the above referenced docket. If there are any questions, please call me on 503.612.4409.

Sincerely,

*Submitted via ECFS*

Jeffrey H. Smith

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Al Pedersen, Sandwich Isles