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

**Re: Ex parte letter: *Telecommunications Relay Services And Speech-To-Speech Services For Individuals With Hearing And Speech Disabilities, E911 Requirements For IP-Enabled Service Providers, CG Docket No. 03-123, WC Docket No. 05-196***

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On April 29, 2008 I had the opportunity to participate in the Commission's Stakeholder Workshop on solutions for implementing a ten-digit numbering plan for Internet-based forms of telecommunications relay service (TRS), including Video Relay Service (VRS) and IP Relay. While my primary responsibility was to represent the NG911 project, I did report the hearing results back to the ACUTA leadership. On behalf of higher education communications professionals and the hearing impaired community in higher education, we would like to thank the FCC for taking a leadership position in implementing this important service.

After reviewing the three proposals offered to the FCC, ACUTA is concerned that the solutions are all targeted to service providers and carriers. Colleges and universities typically utilize blocks of direct inward dial (DID) numbers, which would make it more difficult for hearing impaired students, faculty and staff living or working on campus to be able to take advantage of this plan as it is recommended. According to ACUHO-I, the association that represents campus housing professionals, there are

