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Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
TW-A325
445 Twelfth Street, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20554

Re: Vermont Telephone Company Petition
for Declaratory Ruling – WC Docket No. 08-56

Dear Ms. Dortch:

I am writing to update the record regarding the status of interconnection negotiations between Comcast Phone of Vermont, LLC (“Comcast Phone of Vermont”) and the Vermont Telephone Company, Inc. (“VTel”). Comcast previously informed the Federal Communications Commission (“Commission”) that Comcast Phone of Vermont had requested interconnection with VTel under section 251 of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended (“Act”). On August 22, 2008, pursuant to section 252 of the Act, VTel filed a Petition for Arbitration with the Vermont Public Service Board (“Board”) requesting that the Board arbitrate a section 251 interconnection agreement between VTel and Comcast Phone of Vermont. On August 25, 2008, Comcast Phone of Vermont also filed a section 252 Petition for Arbitration with the Board asking the Board to arbitrate an interconnection agreement between Comcast Phone of Vermont and VTel. Comcast anticipates that a hearing before an administrative law judge will commence next month.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Mary McManus
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