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**Ex Parte**

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

**Re: Developing a Unified Intercarrier Compensation Regime, CC Docket No. 01-92; In the Matter of Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service, CC Docket No. 96-45; IP-Enabled Services, WC Docket No. 04-36; In the Matter of Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service, High Cost Universal Service Support, WC Docket No. 05-337; In the Matter of Universal Service Contribution Methodology, WC Docket No. 06-122**

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On October 27 and 28, Susanne Guyer and Mike Glover of Verizon held meetings with Commissioner Robert McDowell, Angela Giancarlo and Nick Alexander, Legal Advisors to Commissioner McDowell and Commissioner Jonathan Adelstein and Scott Bergmann, Legal Advisor to Commissioner Adelstein respectively.

In the meetings, Verizon urged the Commission to move forward with comprehensive reform of intercarrier compensation and universal service to facilitate the industry's move to broadband and IP-based services. In particular, Verizon explained the importance of adopting a uniform terminating rate for all traffic to eliminate arbitrage and create parity among all providers. Verizon also discussed its recent ex parte submission setting forth a revised universal service contribution mechanism to specifically address concerns raised by various parties in the proceeding.

The positions expressed were consistent with Verizon's prior submissions on this matter. Please let me know if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Ann D. Berkowitz".

cc: Nick Alexander  
Scott Bergmann  
Angela Giancarlo