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**Via ECFS**

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

**Re: Notice of Ex Parte Communication, Dockets 96-45, 99-68, 01-92, 04-36, 05-337,  
& 06-122**

Dear Ms. Dortch:

Pursuant to section 1.1206(b) of the Commission's Rules, this is to notify you that, on November 19, 2008, Robert Hale, Jr., Chief Executive Officer of Granite Telecommunications, Inc. ("Granite"), along with the undersigned, met with Commissioner Robert McDowell and Nicholas Alexander, Legal Advisor to Commissioner McDowell, concerning the above-referenced dockets.

The purpose of this presentation was to discuss Granite's position on intercarrier compensation and universal service reform. The views expressed in the meeting were consistent with those stated in Granite's *ex parte* letters filed in the above-referenced dockets on October 27 and 28, 2008.

Very truly yours,

/s/ electronically signed

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Robert Hale, Jr.

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