



October 27, 2009

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

Re: GN Dockets Nos. 09-51, 09-191; WC Docket No. 07-52
Ex Parte Notice

Ms. Dortch:

On Monday, October 26, 2009, Ben Verwaayen, Chief Executive Officer at Alcatel-Lucent (“ALU”), Ms. Gabrielle Gauthey, Senior Vice President for Public Affairs at ALU, Mr. Stuart Eizenstat and I met with Commissioner Michael Copps and Jennifer Schneider of the Federal Communications Commission (“FCC”). In our meeting, the representatives of ALU and the FCC discussed developments in the global broadband marketplace and how these developments would be impacted by the Commission’s net neutrality initiative and national broadband plan. Specifically, in the Open Internet proceeding, the representatives discussed whether the Commission’s regulatory proposals will inhibit or promote the development of the next generation of broadband networks and applications, and whether the advocacy strategies of the parties involved will further polarize the debate. In the National Broadband Proceeding, the representatives discussed the different regulatory systems throughout the world and whether broadband plans or regulatory systems adopted in other nations would be applicable in the United States. Lastly, the representatives discussed the status of research and development in the U.S. and how government policies can maintain and strengthen R&D funding.

If you have any questions concerning this filing, please do not hesitate to contact me on 202-312-5901. Thank you.

Sincerely,

/s/

Paul W. Kenefick
Vice President, Public Affairs
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cc: Commissioner Michael Copps
Jennifer Schneider