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Ex Parte

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

Re: Universal Service Contribution Methodology, WC Docket No. 06-122

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On September 9, 2010, Chris Miller, Tamara Preiss and the undersigned of Verizon met with Vickie Robinson, Carol Pomponio, and Chin Yoo of the Wireline Competition Bureau to discuss issues raised by the Joint Petition in the above-captioned proceeding.¹ The discussion was consistent with the positions expressed in the Joint Petition.

We also discussed reform of the universal service fund contribution mechanism, including possible modifications to the existing revenue-based system. We continued to emphasize that revenue-based contribution mechanisms that rely on unworkable distinctions – such as between telecommunications services and information services, or between intrastate and interstate services – are not sustainable.

Please contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Alan Buzacott".

cc: Vickie Robinson

Carol Pomponio

Chin Yoo

¹ Petition of AT&T, Inc., CenturyLink, SureWest Communications, and Verizon for Clarification or in the Alternative for Partial Reconsideration, *Request for Review of a Decision of the Universal Service Administrator and Emergency Petition for Stay by U.S. TelePacific d/b/a TelePacific Communications*, WC Docket No. 06-122 (June 1, 2010) (“Joint Petition”).