



November 19, 2010

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

Re: Notice of Ex Parte Conference  
Telecommunications Relay Service (“TRS”) & Speech-to-Speech Services for  
Individuals with Hearing and Speech Disabilities  
CG Docket No. 10-51

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On November 18, representing Purple, CEO Dan Luis and the undersigned met with Nicholas Alexander of the Wireline Competition Bureau, Gregory Hlibok, Andrew Mulitz, Diane Mason of the Disability Rights Office and Sharon Diskin of the Office of the Inspector General.

We reiterated our previous correspondence about the need for clarification as to whether interoperability and point-to-point rules apply to the various software based end-points used in combination with off-the-shelf hardware (such as the iPhone4), that are currently being serviced by providers in the relay industry. We noted that this is an exciting time for the deaf community with many new, and previously unimagined, possibilities in terms of how to use the telephone in a functionally equivalent manner. In order to foster new developments in technological advancements to further close the gap on functional equivalence, we urged the Commission to provide feedback to the relay industry on its usage of existing and emerging technology particularly pertaining to interoperability requirements.

We also discussed the IP-Captioned Telephone Services (“IP-CTS”) market touching on technical, legal and regulatory factors and the need to foster greater competition in the market consistent with the Commission’s 2007 Order on IP-CTS. We discussed Purple’s existing certification for IP-CTS and its desire to offer services in this area.

Sincerely,

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Kelby Brick, Esq.  
Vice President, Regulatory & Strategic Policy