



July 31, 2012

Ex Parte Notice – Via ECFS

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

Re: *Structure and Practices of the Video Relay Service Program*, CG Docket No. 10-51;  
*Telecommunications Relay Services and Speech-to-Speech Services for Individuals with  
Hearing and Speech Disabilities*, CG Docket No. 03-123

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On July 27, 2012, representatives of Sorenson Communications, Inc. (“Sorenson”) met with Federal Communications Commission (“FCC” or “Commission”) staff via conference call to discuss processes for developing interoperability standards in connection with the pending *Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking* related to video relay service (“VRS”).<sup>1</sup> The Sorenson representatives on the call were Grant Beckmann, Mike Maddix, and Scot Brooksby from the company, and Chad Breckinridge and the undersigned from Wiltshire & Grannis LLP. Henning Schulzrinne (OSP) and Richard Hovey (WCB) participated from the FCC.

We discussed whether and how a process for developing standards and documenting best practices could emerge. In particular, the participants discussed the possibility of creating a working group under the auspices of the SIP Forum to make technical recommendations on interoperability among VRS end points. The Sorenson representatives expressed the company’s willingness to participate in such a working group.

Sincerely,

/s/

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cc (by email):  
Henning Schulzrinne  
Richard Hovey

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<sup>1</sup> See *Structure and Practices of the Video Relay Service Program and Telecommunications Relay Services and Speech-to-Speech Services for Individuals with Hearing and Speech Disabilities*, Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, CG Docket Nos. 10-51 & 03-123 (rel. Dec. 15, 2011) (“FNPRM”).