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Ms. Marlene Dortch, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 Twelfth Street, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20554

Dear Ms. Dortch:

RE: Ex Parte Notice. GN Docket No. 13-5. In the Matter of Technology Transitions Policy Task Force Regarding Potential Trials

On January 22, Debbie Goldman, Communications Workers of America, spoke with Jonathan Sallet, Acting General Counsel, via telephone about the above-captioned proceeding. Ms. Goldman emphasized the critical importance of data collection regarding the employment impact of the IP Transition trials. This data is important to protect consumers and workers and to ensure that employees are retrained and redeployed to provide quality service on IP networks. This information will assist workers, unions, equipment manufacturers, network operators, educational and training institutions, human resource planning organizations and others to understand the jobs and skills necessary to work on IP networks. The data will help ensure that employees can transition to the work on IP networks, and keep quality telecom jobs in the United States.

Ms. Goldman suggested the following language:

Companies or other entities that conduct IP Transition trials shall provide data on the jobs involved in the installation, provisioning, maintenance, servicing, and selling of the IP network. The data should include job titles, job descriptions, training and retraining programs, and the number of employees employed in each of the job titles. This data should be made available to the public.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Debbie Goldman'. The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Debbie Goldman
Telecommunications Policy Director