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

Ex Parte Notice

**Re: Developing a Unified Intercarrier Compensation Regime
CC Docket No. 01-92**

**High-Cost Universal Service Support
WC Docket No. 05-337**

**Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service
CC Docket No. 96-45**

Dear Ms. Dortch,

On October 20, 2008, H. Keith Oliver of Home Telephone Company, Inc., Mark Gailey of Totah Communications, Inc., Catherine Moyer of Pioneer Communications, Roger Nishi of Waitsfield & Champlain Valley Telecom, Robert Debroux of TDS Telecom, John Rose, Stuart Polikoff and Stephen Pastorkovich of the Organization for the Promotion and Advancement of Small Telecommunications Companies (OPASTCO), and Derrick Owens, Jason Williams and Gerard Duffy of the Western Telecommunications Alliance (WTA) held a conference call with Chairman Kevin Martin, his Chief of Staff, Dan Gonzalez, his Legal Advisor, Amy Bender, and Wireline Competition Bureau Chief Dana Shaffer.

The purpose of the call was to discuss the potential impacts of intercarrier compensation and universal service reform upon rural, rate of return (RoR)-regulated incumbent local exchange carriers (ILECs), including unification and reduction of terminating access charges,

access revenue replacement options, future changes regarding originating access charges, broadband build-out and related Universal Service Fund changes, and transport changes and obligations with respect to broadband networks.

In accordance with FCC rules, this letter is being filed electronically in the above-captioned dockets.

Sincerely,

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