Before the
FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION
Washington, DC  20554

In the Matter of § § §
Developing a Unified Intercarrier Compensation Regime § § §
CC Docket No. 01-92

MOTION TO EXTEND THE TIME FOR COMMENT
OR
MOTION TO ACCEPT LATE-FILED COMMENTS
BY THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF TEXAS

On April 27, 2001, the Common Carrier Bureau of the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) issued a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking ("NPRM"). The NPRM embarks on a fundamental re-examination of all currently regulated forms of intercarrier compensation. The FCC seeks comment on numerous issues related to payments among telecommunications carriers, as well as the impact of intercarrier compensation on end-user charges and universal service. Comments to the FCC are due on August 21, 2001.

The intricacy of the comments currently being developed by Staff, coupled with the current Open Meeting schedule of the Public Utility Commission of Texas, precludes us from providing comments to the FCC’s NPRM before August 24, 2001. We therefore request an extension of the time for response, or in the alternative, we request approval of a motion to accept late-filed comments.
Respectfully submitted,

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August 6, 2001

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