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

Re:  Ex Parte Communication; Universal Service Contribution Methodology; WC Docket No. 06-122

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On July 14, 2006, Paul Garnett, Assistant Vice President, Regulatory Affairs, and Brian Josef, Director, Regulatory Affairs, CTIA – The Wireless Association® (CTIA), along with Chuck Keller, outside counsel to CTIA, Glenn Rabin, Alltel, Bill Roughton, Centennial, Todd Daubert, outside counsel to Southern Linc, Roger Sherman, Sprint Nextel, Amy Wolverton, T-Mobile, and Anne Hoskins, Verizon Wireless, met with Julie Veach, Marcus Maher, Thomas Buckley, Jeremy Marcus, Carol Pomponio, Pam Megna, Amy Bender, Carol Simpson, Jim Lande, and Pedro Almoguera, all of the FCC’s Wireline Competition Bureau, to discuss recent changes to the universal service contribution methodology, which implicate FCC Form 499-Q revenue submissions due on August 1, 2006. In particular, parties discussed the distinction between “actual” interstate telecommunications revenues and the use of traffic studies as a proxy for determining wireless carriers’ interstate telecommunications revenues. 1 Parties also discussed the Commission’s recent clarification – for the first time – of what constitutes mobile wireless carrier “toll service charges” for purposes of reporting revenues on the FCC Forms 499-A and 499-Q. 2 CTIA thanks the FCC staff for taking the time on such short notice to discuss these issues.

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2 See id. at paras. 28-29.
Pursuant to Section 1.1206 of the Commission’s rules, a copy of this letter is being filed via ECFS with your office. Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned.

Sincerely,

/s/ Paul Garnett

Paul Garnett

cc: Julie Veach
Marcus Maher
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