

August 2, 2010

Marlene Dortch
Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 Twelfth Street, SW
Washington, DC 20554

RE: Notice of Oral *Ex Parte* Communication
Docket GN 09-191

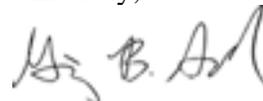
Dear Ms. Dortch:

On July 30, 2010, I met with Chief of Staff Edward Lazarus and Zac Katz, Legal Advisor to Chairman Genachowski. This notice is submitted in compliance with Section 1.1206(b) of the Commission's Rules.

I gave my thoughts on several of the proposals for legislation relating to open Internet principles made by broadband access providers and Internet companies during meetings held at the Commission. With regard to wireline broadband Internet access, I stressed the importance of 1) a presumption against paid prioritization on the "best efforts" open Internet; and 2) limitations on so-called "managed services" that will ensure that such services do not diminish or degrade the best efforts open Internet and which require bandwidth dedicated to the best efforts open Internet to increase over time. I urged that broadband access providers should be required to make managed services available to content, applications and service providers on reasonable and non-discriminatory terms.

With regard to wireless, I stated that access providers initially must be prohibited from blocking all content and applications, and that a no blocking rule for websites only was unacceptable. First, it is difficult to distinguish between a "website" and an "application," and second, the greatest innovation currently is occurring at the mobile application layer. Thus, permitting wireless carriers to arbitrarily block applications would harm innovation and the public by giving them fewer choices. I reiterated that Public Knowledge could find acceptable some type of time-limited or technological glide path to full non-discrimination rules for wireless broadband access providers. And, as Public Knowledge has said in its filings, wireless providers should be given more leeway in determining what is "reasonable network management."

Sincerely,



Gigi B. Sohn
President

cc. Edward Lazarus
Zac Katz