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Via Electronic Filing

Mr. William Caton, Acting Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 Twelfth Street, S.W., Room TW-B204
Washington, DC 20554

Re: Notice of Ex Parte Presentation: In the Matter of BellSouth Tariff
FCC No. 1, Transmittal No. 623, WCB/PPD No. 02-08.

Dear Mr. Caton:

On Friday, May 3, 2002, Robert Quinn, Safir Rammah and I met with Dorothy Atwood, Deena Shetler, Margaret Dailey, Jeffrey Carlisle, Andrew Multz and Christopher Libertelli of the Wireline Competition Bureau. While the main purpose of the meeting was to discuss BellSouth's Transmittal No. 629, many of the issues we discussed were also present in BellSouth's Transmittal No. 623. AT&T urged the Commission to suspend the BellSouth tariff due to questions regarding the nature and size of the BellSouth costs for thousand block number pooling. Our statements and comments were consistent with our petition in the above mentioned proceeding.

Consistent with the Commission rules, I am filing one electronic copy of this notice and request that you place it in the record of the proceedings.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Patrick H. Merrick".

cc: Meeting attendees