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Magalie R. Salas, Esquire  
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Re: Redesignation of the 17.7-19.7 GHz Frequency Band, Blanket  
Licensing of Satellite Earth Stations in the 17.7-20.2 GHz and  
27.5-30.0 GHz Frequency Bands, and the Allocation of Additional  
Spectrum in the 17.3-17.8 GHz and 24.75-25.25 GHz Frequency  
Bands for Broadcast Satellite-Service Use  
IB Docket No. 98-172, RM-9005, RM-9118  
Notice of Ex Parte Presentation

Dear Ms. Salas:

On October 30, 1998, the GSO Ka-band Blanket Licensing Industry Working Group met at the offices of Dow, Lohnes & Albertson. Julie Garcia and Diane Garfield of the FCC's International Bureau were present at the meeting. The issues discussed at the meeting are reflected in the enclosed meeting agenda.<sup>1/</sup> Other documents provided to the FCC representatives at the meeting are also enclosed.

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If you have any questions regarding this matter, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Respectfully submitted,



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30<sup>th</sup> October 1998

at Dow Lohnes & Albertson, 1200 New Hampshire Ave, N.W. ,Washington DC.

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  4. Any Other Business
  5. Date and Place of Next Meeting
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**To:** RCLPC.RCLCORP(doneil)  
**Date:** 10/29/98 1:39PM

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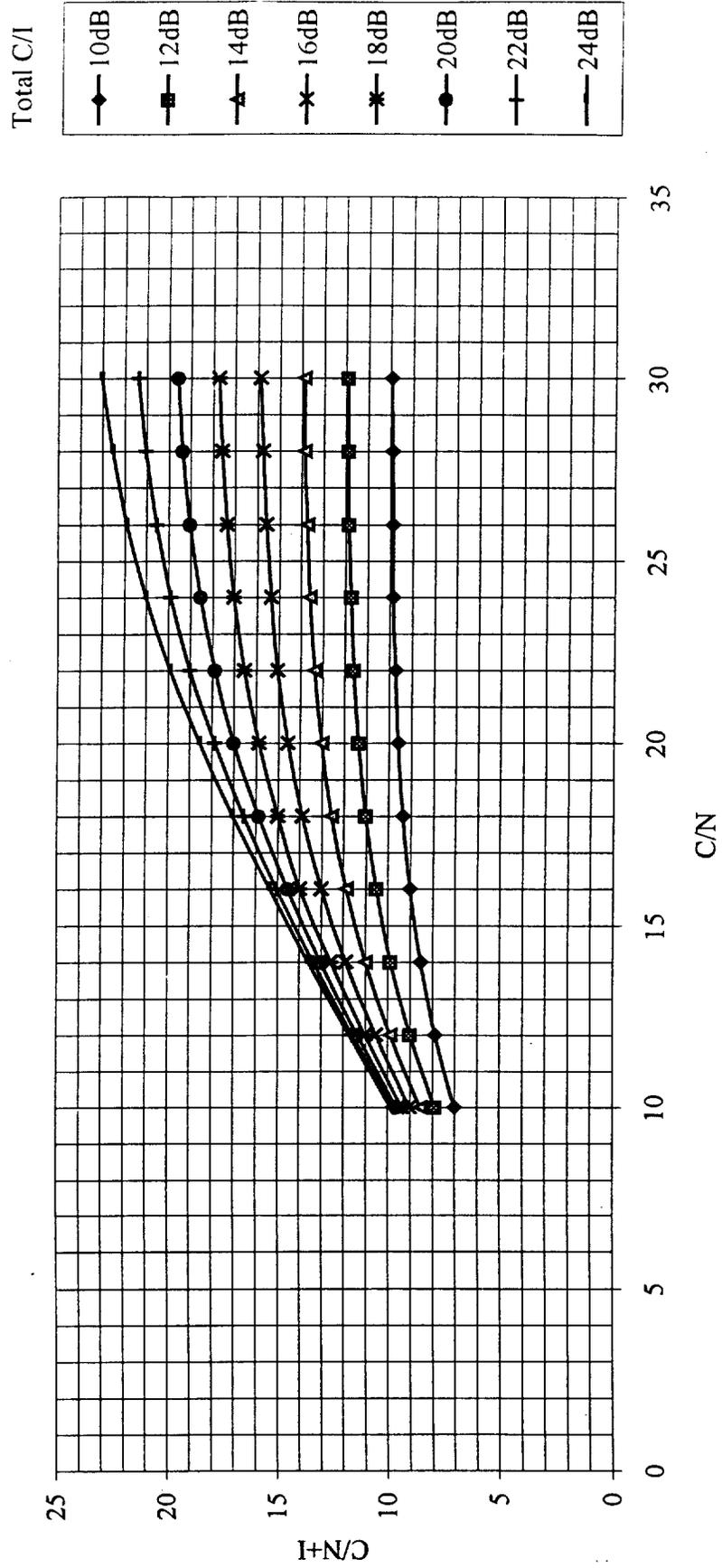
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Regards,  
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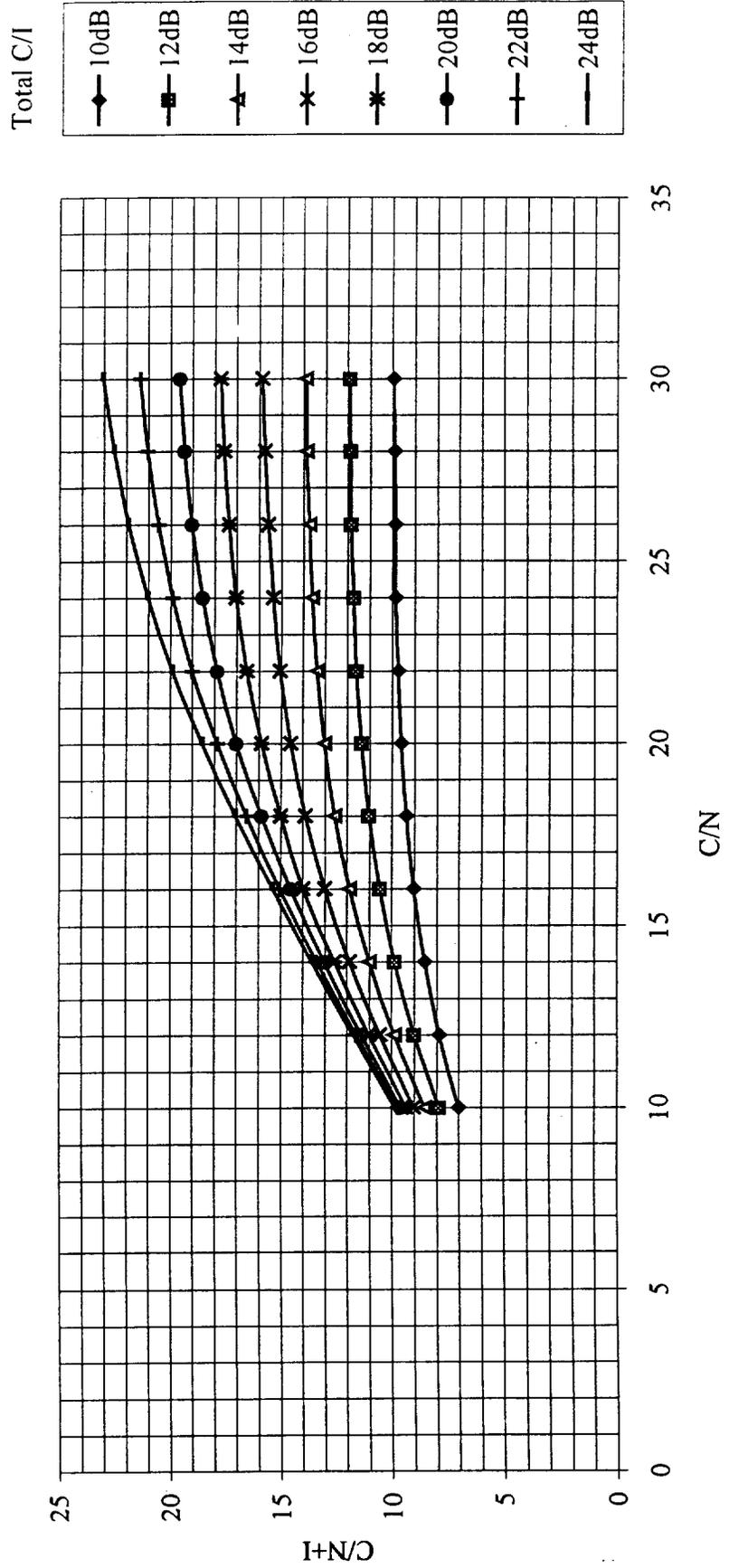
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