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Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
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Washington, D.C. 20554

Re: Opposition to Petition for Interim Relief of the TIA Fixed Section and Emergency Request for Immediate Relief of ICTA, IB Docket No. 98-172, RM-9005, RM-9118

Dear Ms. Salas:

Lockheed Martin Corporation ("Lockheed Martin") hereby informs the Commission of its intent to file a consolidated opposition to the Petition for Interim Relief of the Fixed Point-to-Point Communications Section, Wireless Communications Division of the Telecommunications Industry Association ("TIA Fixed Section") and to the Emergency Request for Immediate Relief of the Independent Cable & Telecommunications Association ("ICTA") in the above-referenced rulemaking proceeding. The TIA Fixed Section petition was filed on November 2, 1998, and the ICTA request was filed on November 5, 1998.

At present it is unclear how these pleadings will be treated or in what timeframe oppositions must be filed. In addition, interested parties in the rulemaking proceeding were not made aware of the pleadings, as the pleadings were not served on other parties and have not been placed on Public Notice. In light of the uncertainty regarding the status of the TIA Fixed Section and ICTA filings, Lockheed Martin is informing the Commission of its intent to file a consolidated opposition to the filings on November 12, 1998. Should the Commission determine that an opposition to the TIA Fixed Section pleading would be due today, November 9, 1998, Lockheed Martin requests an extension of the opposition filing date until November 12, 1998.

Respectfully submitted,

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