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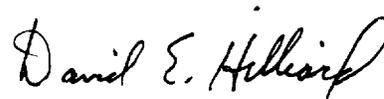
Re: **Ex Parte Notification**
ET Docket No. 98-153
Ultra-Wideband

Dear Ms. Salas:

This is to note that on December 2, 1999, Ralph Petroff, President and Chairman of Time Domain Corporation, Rachel Reinhardt, an electrical engineer with Time Domain, and I met with Dale Hatfield, Chief of the Office of Engineering and Technology, Dr. Michael Marcus, OET Associate Chief for Technology, Julius Knapp, Chief of OET's Policy and Rules Division, John Reed, Senior Engineer of the Technical Rules Branch, and Rodney Conway, an engineer with the Technical Rules Branch. We discussed the testing of ultra-wideband systems as an aid to the Commission in the development of a record in any future rule making on ultra-wideband. In the discussion, we expressed Time Domain's preference that any industry-based testing be done at a laboratory operated by the federal government. We urged the Commission to move forward with the issuance of a notice of proposed rule making that would be sufficiently broad in its range of proposals so as to provide flexibility in the fashioning of final rules based on the record developed in any such testing. Mr. Petroff also mentioned that Siemens had made an investment in Time Domain and that *The Economist* had recently discussed ultra-wideband in an article published November 6. Both developments are noted on Time Domain's webpages at www.time-domain.com.

Should any questions arise concerning this matter, please contact me.

Respectfully,



David E. Hilliard
Counsel for Time Domain Corporation

cc: Messrs. Hatfield, Marcus, Knapp, Reed, and Conway

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