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William Kennard
Chairman
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, S.W.
Washington, DC 20554

RE: *IB Docket 98-172*
Written Ex Parte Presentation

Dear Chairman Kennard:

I would like to thank you for meeting with the Hughes Electronics and Hughes Spaceway executives yesterday. We also take note of your request for an update on the status of the discussions between the geostationary broadband satellite systems, the private cable operators and the fixed wireless operators regarding use of the 30 MHz from 18.55 – 18.58 GHz.

The FSS-FS discussions are continuing. The next meeting will take place on Thursday March 2, 2000 at 2pm. Given the ongoing nature of these discussions, with your indulgence, we believe it would be more appropriate to respond to your request for an update after tomorrow's meeting.

Respectfully,

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