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Federal Communications Commission
445 Twelfth Street, S.W.
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Re: *Notice of Ex Parte Communication: ET Docket No. 00-258*

Dear Ms. Salas:

This letter is being filed on behalf of Cisco Systems, Inc. ("Cisco"). On Thursday, March 8, 2001, Christine Hemrick and Bruce Mehlman of Cisco, and undersigned counsel, participated in a series of meetings in the above-referenced proceeding. Specifically, we met with: (a) Peter Tenhula of Chairman Powell's office; (b) Mark Schneider of Commissioner Ness's office; (c) Bryan Tramont of Commissioner Furchtgott-Roth's office; (d) Adam Krinsky of Commissioner Tristani's office; (e) Julie Knapp, Geri Matise, and Ira Keltz of OET; and (f) Jim Schlichting, David Furth and Mark Rubin of WTB.

In each of these meetings, Cisco made the following arguments:

1. The MMDS/ITFS spectrum is about to become the home of a robust wireless broadband service both for business and residential customers.
2. Any material change in the MMDS/ITFS bandplan will put this important development in grave jeopardy for both technical and financial reasons.
3. While Cisco sees a bright future for the faster mobile internet access promised by 3G services, it believes that it makes little sense to trade a wireless broadband pipe to the home for such mobile services.
4. The Commission's policies in the MMDS/ITFS bands have worked. A secondary market has developed allowing the creation of a wireless broadband service in this band, as well as a thriving educational video service. To pull the plug on this success now would be folly.

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Respectfully submitted,

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