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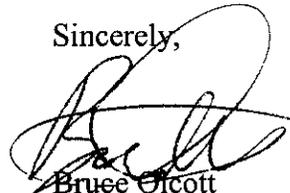
Re: The Boeing Company  
Notice of Permitted Oral Ex Parte Communication  
IB Docket No. 01-185

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On July 7, 2003, the undersigned spoke briefly with Commissioner Jonathan Adelstein regarding the above referenced proceeding. The discussion focused on the procedures that the Commission should use to authorize licensees in the Mobile-Satellite Service ("MSS") to secure authority to incorporate an ancillary terrestrial component ("ATC") in their networks. The undersigned stated that the Commission has a long-standing practice of issuing authorizations conditioned on compliance with the Commission's rules and specific requirements included in the authorization. The undersigned also indicated that it might be difficult for MSS licensees to make major investments in network construction without knowing whether the FCC will give them authority to provide ATC until their networks are constructed and operational.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. If you have any questions about this matter, please contact the undersigned.

Sincerely,



Bruce Elliott

Counsel for The Boeing Company

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