October 6, 2011

VIA ELECTRONIC FILING
Marlene H. Dortch
Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20554

Re: PS Docket Nos. 11-60, 10-92, EB Docket No. 06-119
Ex Parte Presentation

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On October 5, 2011, representatives from the Alliance for Telecommunications Industry Solutions’ (ATIS) Network Reliability Steering Committee (NRSC) met with representatives from the Commission’s Public Safety and Homeland Security Bureau. The purpose of this meeting was to discuss the comments filed by ATIS NRSC in response to the Commission’s April 7, 2011, Notice of Inquiry in the above-referenced dockets.

The emergency response plans that have been developed by service providers were discussed at this meeting. ATIS NRSC noted that most providers have robust, mature plans in place. The potential for collaborative work to review these plans was discussed and the NRSC noted that it had already undertaken similar efforts when it developed its hurricane and pandemic checklists for communications providers.

The reliability and resiliency of broadband networks was also discussed. It was noted that broadband networks are designed to be even more resilient than legacy networks. ATIS NRSC noted that both legacy and next generation networks are designed to meet standards for high levels of reliability.

The following representatives from the Public Safety and Homeland Security Bureau were present at this meeting: Jeff Goldthorp, Acting Chief; and Jane Kelly, Attorney/Advisor.

Attending on behalf of the ATIS NRSC were: Stacy Hartman, Director – Federal Public Policy, CenturyLink; Robin Howard, Manager, Verizon Wireline; Jackie Voss, Manager – Standards Development, ATIS; and Thomas Goode, General Counsel, ATIS.

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Pursuant to the Commission’s rules, one copy of this letter is being filed electronically for inclusion in the public record of the above-referenced proceedings.

If there are any questions about this matter, please contact the undersigned.

Sincerely,

Thomas Goode
General Counsel