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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

Re: Ex Parte Communication in CC Docket No. 99-216

Dear Ms. Salas:

On May 21, 2001, representatives from the Alliance for Telecommunications Industry Solutions (ATIS), the Telecommunications Industry Association (TIA) and the jointly sponsored Administrative Council for Terminal Attachment (ACTA), met via conference call with Commission staff. The individuals representing ATIS were Ed Hall, Vice President of Technology Development, and Megan Campbell, ATIS General Counsel. Dan Bart, Senior Vice President, Standards & Special Projects, represented TIA and Jimmy Salinas, Area Manager, SBC, participated as the ACTA chair. The Commission staff participating included Diane Harmon, Deputy Division Chief, NSD, CCB; Susan Magnotti, Attorney, NSD, CCB; and, Bill Howden, Senior Engineer, NSD, CCB.

ATIS and TIA, as the joint sponsors of ACTA, requested the conference call for the purpose of clarifying or receiving input from the Commission on several issues regarding the role of the sponsor as defined in the Report and Order, In the Matter of 2000 Biennial Regulatory Review of Part 68 of the Commission's Rules and Regulations. Specifically, discussion took place regarding the secretariat and database management functions. The Commission staff acknowledged that the Order provides that ATIS and TIA shall be the ACTA sponsors for four years and that the secretariat support is the responsibility of the sponsors. In contrast, the Commission staff noted that the Order provides that the ACTA has the authority to operate and maintain the database itself. Consequently, the database functions could be outsourced to some person or entity other than the sponsors. It was also noted that the ACTA was responsible for defining the funding mechanism for the database.

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Pursuant to Section 1.1206(a)(1) of the Commissions Rules, ATIS submits an original and one copy of this notice of *ex parte* contact for inclusion in the public record of the above-referenced proceeding. Please date-stamp and return the extra copy to our messenger. Should you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact me at 202/434-8847.

Sincerely,

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