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Ms. Magalie Roman Salas
Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, S.W.—The Portals
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Washington, D.C. 20554

**Re: America Online, Inc.
Notice of *Ex Parte* Presentation
Applications of America Online, Inc. and Time Warner Inc.
for Transfers of Control, CS Docket No. 00-30 /**

Dear Ms. Salas:

On behalf of America Online, Inc. ("AOL"), submitted herewith pursuant to Section 1.1206(b)(2) of the Commission's rules are an original and one copy of this notice regarding a permitted oral *ex parte* presentation in the above-referenced proceeding made on September 13, 2000. Attending the meeting on behalf of AOL were George Vradenburg, III, Senior Vice President, Global and Strategic Policy; Steven N. Teplitz, Vice President—Telecommunications Policy; John Zeitler, Associate General Counsel, Peter Ross, of Wiley, Rein & Fielding, and the undersigned. Attending on behalf of the FCC were Royce Dickens, Darryl Cooper, and Peter Friedman of the Cable Services Bureau and Jim Bird of the Office of General Counsel.

The purpose of the meeting was to discuss existing AOL contractual arrangements with Hughes Network Systems and DirecTV, as previously submitted in the record. In addition, AOL discussed how its investment and contractual arrangements were working to promote satellite as a broadband distribution platform—a platform open to other ISPs and interactive TV providers as well. Indeed, we noted that DirecTV has, in fact, entered into other ISP and ITV arrangements already.

In addition, AOL discussed a technical issue regarding its AOLTV service, including how AOLTV's incorporation of open standards and support for the Advanced Television Enhancement Forum ("ATVEF") Enhanced Content Specification allows video programmers to reach AOLTV subscribers with their interactive content even if they choose not to partner with AOL; AOL's—and, post-merger, AOL Time Warner's—plans to offer AOLTV over all possible television platforms;

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and the fact that the currently available AOLTV "cable companion" set-top box relies upon a narrowband connection (*i.e.*, a dial-up modem) for interactivity.

Kindly direct any questions regarding this matter to the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,


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cc: Royce Dickens, Deputy Chief, Policy and Rules Division, Cable Services Bureau
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