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Re: America Online, Inc. Notice of *Ex Parte* Communications  
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 in accordance with the request of FCC staff are an original and one copy of this notice regarding *ex parte* communications on procedural matters in the above-referenced proceeding. On October 26, 2000, Steven Teplitz, Vice President, Telecommunications Policy of AOL had telephone conversations with James Bird of the Office of General Counsel and Darryl Copper of the Cable Services Bureau.

These discussions covered suggestions regarding possible amendments to the FCC's Protective Order in the above captioned proceeding. Given the particular circumstances here, including the existence of a breach of the Protective Order and the late stage in the proceeding, Mr. Teplitz discussed the appropriateness of imposing additional requirements assuring internal procedural safeguards employed by reviewing parties and excluding in-house counsel from reviewing stamped confidential documents subsequently filed under the Protective Order. These conversations did not address the Commission's pending investigation of violations of the Protective Order or the merits of the pending merger application itself.

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Kindly direct any questions regarding this matter to the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Peter D. Ross". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "P" and "R".

Peter D. Ross

cc: James Bird  
Royce Dickens  
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