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EX PARTE – Via Electronic Filing

Ms. Magalie Roman Salas  
Secretary  
Federal Communications Commission  
The Portals  
445 12<sup>th</sup> Street, S.W.  
Washington, DC 20554

Re: IB Docket No. 00-187

Dear Ms. Salas:

On February 5, 2001, Brian O'Connor (of VoiceStream Wireless), Bob Calaff (of VoiceStream Wireless), Lou Gurman (of Morrison & Foerster on behalf of VoiceStream), Andreas Tegge (of Deutsche Telekom), John Harwood (of Wilmer, Cutler & Pickering on behalf of Deutsche Telekom), Dan Phythyon (of Wilmer, Cutler & Pickering on behalf of Deutsche Telekom), and I (on behalf of VoiceStream) met with the following members of the FCC staff: Tom Sugrue (Chief, WTB), Jim Schlichting (Deputy Chief, WTB), Diane Cornell (Deputy Chief, WTB), Lauren Kravetz (WTB), John Branscombe (WTB), Susan Singer (WTB), Joseph Cipolla (WTB), David Furth (WTB), Jim Bird (OGC), Neil Dellar (OGC), Rebecca Arbogast (IB), and Jackie Ruff (IB).

We provided the FCC staff participants with copies of the documents that were attached to our January 22, 2001 Ex Parte. In particular, we stated that the record demonstrates that these applications are pro-competitive, will enhance consumer choices, and can and should be resolved in a timely manner, well before the conclusion of the Commission's 180-day period. We also stated that vague allegations by some commenters of potential predation or cross-subsidization are wholly unsupported, and refuted by the other commenters and the applicants. The applicants have completed and signed an agreement with the Department of Justice and Federal Bureau of Investigation on national security, law enforcement and public safety matters, which was filed on January 25, 2001. The comment periods have closed, and all issues are fully briefed. No commenters contested, and many supported, the pro-competitive, pro-consumer benefits that would result from the

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merger. Vigorous and rigorous review supports grant of these applications, and the Commission should expeditiously proceed to do so.

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In accordance with the Commission's rules, a copy of this letter is being filed electronically in the above-captioned docket, and was served as indicated on the attached service list.

Sincerely,

/s/ John T. Nakahata  
John T. Nakahata

JTN/krs

cc: Mr. Tom Sugrue  
Mr. Jim Schlichting  
Ms. Diane Cornell  
Ms. Lauren Kravetz  
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