

Federal Communications Commission Washington, D.C. 20554

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> Re: Ex Parte Notification WC Docket No. 10-90; WC Docket No.05-337; CC Docket No. 96-45; WT Docket No. 08-95

Dear Mr. Koppel:

This responds to your letter of February 23, 2012¹ which alleges that a series of ex parte notices filed by Verizon in the above-referenced dockets² did not comply with the requirements of 47 C.F.R. § 1.1206(b)(1). The notices in question report a meeting and telephone conversations involving representatives of Verizon, the General Counsel, and officials of the Wireline Competition Bureau. As you note, section 1.1206(b)(1) requires person making ex parte presentations in a permit-but-disclose proceeding, such as the above-referenced rulemakings, to file a summary of the substance of the ex parte presentations. The rule requires that the "[s]ummaries must be sufficiently detailed that they would inform a person who did not attend the presentation of the facts that were discussed, the arguments made, and the support offered for those arguments." You request that we require Verizon to file a summary that complies with section 1.1206(b)(1).⁴

In response to your allegations that Verizon's ex parte notices failed to comply with the requirements of section 1.206(b)(1), Verizon made a supplemental filing

¹ See Letter from David A. LaFuria and Robert S. Koppel to Austin Schlick, General Counsel (Feb. 23, 2012) (Complaint).

² See Letters from Tamara Preiss to Ms. Marlene H. Dotch, Secretary, (Jan. 24, 2012, Jan. 26, 2012, Jan. 31, 2012, and Feb. 16, 2012).

³ See Complaint at 2, citing Amendment of the Commission's Ex Parte Rules and Other Procedural Rules, 26 FCC Rcd 4517, ¶ 35 (2011).

⁴ See Complaint at 2.

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reporting additional information about its ex parte presentations.⁵ We have consulted with the FCC staff who participated in the meeting and telephone conversions with Verizon. They confirm that the supplemental filing adequately addresses the substance of Verizon's ex parte presentations. Accordingly, we find no need to take further action in this matter.

Sincerely yours,

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⁵ See Letter from Tamara Preiss to Austin Schlick, General Counsel and Marlene Dortch, Secretary (Feb. 14, 2012).