

**STATEMENT OF
COMMISSIONER ROBERT M. McDOWELL**

RE: Feature Group IP Petition for Forbearance From Section 251(g) of the Communications Act and Sections 51.701(b)(1) and 69.5(b) of the Commission's Rules, WC Docket 07-256.

It is clear that granting the forbearance petitioners have requested would not give petitioners the relief sought, but instead would create a regulatory void and significant uncertainty. In the absence of any evidence or economic analysis in the record that would allow us to determine that enforcement of our regulations is unnecessary, I find that the petition fails to meet the statutory criteria required for forbearance under Section 10. The petition must, therefore, be denied.