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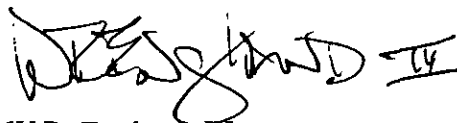
Re: Case No. TO-99-593

Dear Mr. Roberts:

Enclosed for filing in the above-referenced matter on behalf of the Small Telephone Company Group, please find an original and eight copies of the prepared direct testimony of Robert C. Schoonmaker. Please note that several schedules attached to Mr. Schoonmaker's testimony contain "highly confidential" information and have been marked accordingly and are provided in a separate envelope.

Please see that this filing is brought to the attention of the appropriate Commission personnel. Copies are today being provided to parties of record. I thank you in advance for your cooperation in this matter.

Sincerely,


W.R. England, III

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Enclosure
cc: Parties of Record