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RE: Continental Telephone Company IntraLATA Dialing Parity

Dear Ms. Crockron:

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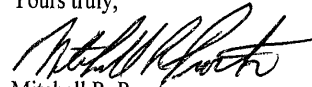
In the Commission's November 7, 1996 Entry on Rehearing in Case No. 95-845-TP-COI, all incumbent local exchange carriers were directed to file, on or before December 12, 1996, "ATA" cases to institute intraLATA dialing parity.

Continental Telephone Company hereby requests that you open an "ATA" case number under its name for that purpose. Continental Telephone Company intends to offer intraLATA dialing parity in accordance with the Commission's Order, or to seek an appropriate waiver, but has not yet developed the information or identified the tariffs that would be included in a complete "ATA" application or in an application to seek an appropriate waiver.

Continental Telephone Company expects to file a complete proposal, in the form of an application to amend its tariffs or seek an appropriate waiver, on or before March 12, 1997.

Additional copies of this correspondence are supplied, along with a self-addressed envelope. Please return two file-stamped copies of this letter, along with the assigned case number. Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact me. Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Yours truly,



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cc: Christine M. T. Pirik, Chief
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