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Criminal Division

Washington, D.C. 20530

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By E-File

Ms. Marlene H. Dortch Federal Communications Commission 4445 12th St. SW, Room TW-B204 Washington, DC 20554

Re: Birch Telecom Inc., Debtor-in-Possession.

WC DK No.06-45, DA 06-482 ITC-ASG-20060221-00111 ITC-ASG-20060221-00112 ITC-ASG-20060221-00113 ITC-ASG-20060221-00114 ITC-ASC-20060221-00115 ITC-ASG-20060221-00116

Domestic and International Section 214 Applications for Consent to the Assignment of Birch Telecom Inc., Debtor-in-Possession and its subsidiaries to the newly organized Birch Telecom ("New Birch") pursuant to the Third Amended Joint Reorganization Plan

Dear Ms. Dortch:

The United States Department of Justice, including the Federal Bureau of Investigation, with the concurrence of the Department of Homeland Security (the "Agencies"), officially withdraws the request dated March 13, 2006 to defer action on the above-referenced applications. Based on the information provided to the Agencies by the applicant and analysis by the Agencies of potential national security, law enforcement, and public safety issues, the Agencies hereby notify the Commission that they have no objection to the applications. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

/s/ Laura H. Parsky

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