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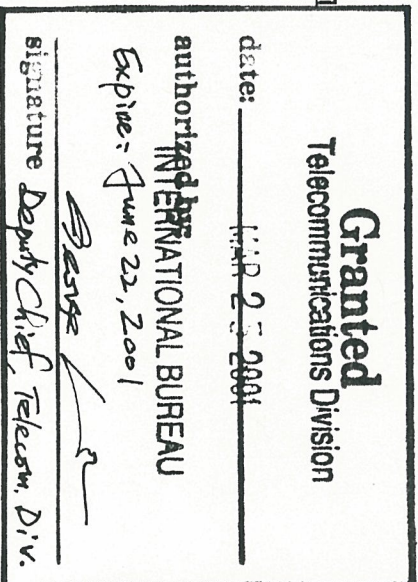
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Re: Request of Business Telecom, Inc for Special Temporary Authority for an International Section 214 Transfer of Control Application;  
File No. ITC-T/C-20010309-00127

Dear Ms. Salas:

Business Telecom, Inc. ("BTI"), by its undersigned counsel, and pursuant to Section 214 of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, 47 U.S.C. §214, hereby requests expedited Special Temporary Authority ("STA") for an indirect, *de facto* transfer of control of BTI to Welsh, Carson, Anderson & Stowe VIII, L.P. and WCAS Capital Partners III, L.P. (the "WCAS entities").<sup>1</sup> BTI respectfully requests that the

<sup>1</sup> BTI holds the following international Section 214 authorizations: (1) authority to resell the switched message telephone service of existing carriers to provide international switched voice service between the United States and various overseas points (*Business Telecom, Inc.*, Report No. I-8088, File No. ITC-95-402 (rel. Aug. 16, 1995)); (2) authority to resell international private lines interconnected to the public switched network ("PSN") at one or both ends to provide international switched services between the United States and Canada and the United States and United Kingdom (Business Telecom, Inc., Application for Authority to Operate as an International Resale Carrier, *Order, Authorization and Certificate*, File No. ITC-88-120 (rel. 1, 1988)); and, (3) authority to