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VIA HAND DELIVERY

Ms. Magalie Roman Salas, Secretary Federal Communications Commission The Portals, 445 - 12th Street, S.W. 12th Street Lobby, TW-A325 Washington, D.C. 20554

> Re: Withdrawal of Application Seeking Commission Consent to Transfer of Control of GTE Telecom Incorporated from GTE Corporation to Bell Atlantic Corporation; Call Signs E880472 and KB72; File No. SES-T/C-19981002-02165

Dear Madam Secretary:

On behalf of the parties to the above-referenced application, we hereby request withdrawal of the above-referenced transfer of control application. Both of the call signs included on the subject application have expired or been canceled; accordingly, there are no Part 25 authorizations held by this licensee to be transferred.

If any questions arise, please contact me at 202/719-7245.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Katherine M. Harris

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