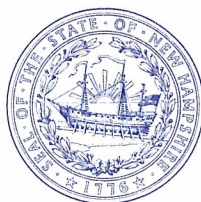


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**RE: DT 07-027 TDS AFOR, Phase II
OCA Confidential Brief**

Dear Ms. Howland:

I enclose for filing in the above-referenced docket an original and six copies of the OCA's Confidential Phase 2 Brief. The enclosed document includes proposed redactions, denoted between confidentiality markers. At my request, counsel to the TDS Companies has agreed to review the proposed redactions to the OCA's brief and notify me of additional parts, if any, of the OCA's Brief that he request be redacted. I will file an original and six copies of the public version of the OCA's brief as soon as possible after I discuss the redactions with Mr. McHugh. My hope is that this can happy as quickly as possibly.

I realize that this manner of filing is unusual. However, this docket is more than three years old, and there are some inconsistencies between the redactions in the pleadings (e.g., motions and testimony) and the hearing transcripts. In the interest of caution, I wanted to discuss the redactions with the Company before filing a public version of the OCA's Brief.

I contacted counsel to all of the parties and stated my intentions of filing a confidential version only until TDS had a chance to look at the proposed redactions. I heard no objection to my proposal.

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Copies of this letter will be distributed to the service list via electronic mail. Copies of the confidential version will be distributed to the Petitioners, and Mr. Bailey.

Please contact me with any questions. Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,



for Rorie E.P. Hollenberg

Enclosures

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