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Dear Mr. Harrison:

Your letter of June 3, 1996 to Michael Esstman has been referred to me for response. It appears that you have chosen to bypass GTE's Local Competition/Interconnection Program Office (PO) on matters pertaining to sections 251 and 252 of the Telecommunications Act of 1996 (the Act). As GTE explained to you and the AT&T Executive Team at the meeting on April 2, 1996, GTE's PO is responsible for all negotiations pertaining to sections 251 and 252 of the Act. This obviously includes the issues you addressed in your letter. For the sake of clarity, let me reiterate that all such issues are to be resolved within GTE's PO and are not subject to escalation outside the PO.

Reed, you could save a lot of time and energy if you would call or write to me directly.

Very truly yours,

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