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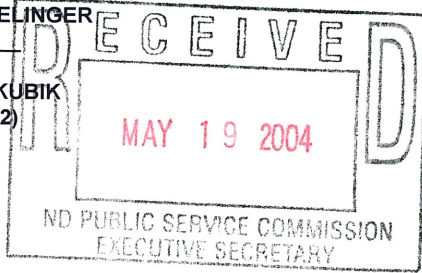
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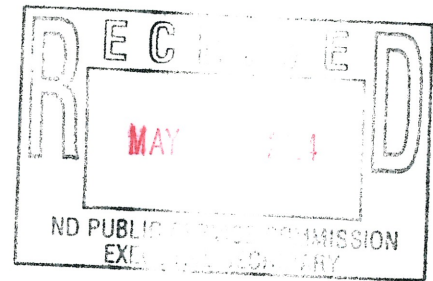
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Ms. Illona Jeffcoat-Sacco
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**Re: BEK, et al vs. SmartNet, Inc.
Case No. PV-2867-03-666**

Dear Illona:

Pursuant to our telephone conference on May 17, 2004, this letter shall serve as a request for a motion to allow the following out of state counsel to represent SmartNet, Inc. at the PSC hearing scheduled for May 25, 2004:

Glenn S. Richards
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Once again, thank you for your assistance as to the procedure to arrange for this matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Bruce A. Selinger".

Bruce A. Selinger

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