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**UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT
FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS
DALLAS DIVISION**

IN RE: §
§
VARTEC TELECOM, INC., et al., § **Case No. 04-81694-SAF-11**
§ **(Chapter 11)**
§
Debtors. §

**NOTICE OF SEVENTH REQUEST FOR PAYMENT OF FEES AND EXPENSES
OF FTI CONSULTING, INC. AS FINANCIAL ADVISORS TO LENDER**

TO THE HONORABLE STEVEN A. FELSENTHAL,
CHIEF JUDGE, UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT:

BE ADVISED THAT, pursuant to Paragraph 10(c) of the Final Order Authorizing Post-Petition Financing, Granting Senior Liens and Priority Administrative Expense Status, Authorizing Use of Cash Collateral and Modifying the Automatic Stay, FTI Consulting, Inc. (“FTI”) hereby files this Notice of Seventh Request for Payment of Fees and Expenses. For the time pe-

riod of May 1, 2005 through May 31, 2005, FTI is seeking professional fees in the amount of \$188,383.10 and reimbursement of expenses in the amount of \$167.84. A total of 476.1 hours of professional services were provided during this application period.

Dated: July 6, 2005.

Respectfully submitted,

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By /s/ Toby L. Gerber
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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that, on the 6th day of July, 2005, a true and correct copy of the foregoing Notice along with supporting documentation was served via U.S. Mail, postage prepaid, upon the following parties

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And that on the 6th day of July, 2005, a true and correct copy of the foregoing Notice only was served via U.S. Mail, postage prepaid, upon the parties appearing on the attached service list.

/s/ Toby L. Gerber
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