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EX PARTE PRESENTATION

Ms. Marlene H. Dortch
Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 Twelfth Street, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20554

Re: Sandwich Isles Communications, Inc., Petition for Declaratory
Ruling, WC Docket No. 09-133

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On October 13, 2016, on behalf of the National Exchange Carrier Association, Inc. ("NECA"), I spoke by telephone with Pamela Arluk, Chief, Pricing Policy Division, Wireline Competition Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, in the above-captioned matter.

NECA urged the Commission to ensure that as reforms mandated by *Connect America Fund*, WC Docket No. 10-90, *et al.*, Report & Order, Order & Order on Reconsideration & Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, FCC 16-33 (rel. Mar. 30, 2016) are implemented, the inclusion of expenses related to the Paniolo lease in SIC's cost study for which no payments were made would not further impact NECA tariffed rates for broadband services as already set forth by NECA in this proceeding.

Therefore, it is crucial that the Commission promptly resolve the outstanding issues in this proceeding. Pursuant to 47 C.F.R. § 1.1206, please include this ex parte filing in the above-referenced docket.

Sincerely,

/s/ Gregory J. Vogt

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cc: Pamela Arluk