

February 9, 2018

VIA ELECTRONIC FILING – NOTICE OF EX PARTE

Ms. Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street SW
Washington, DC 20554

Re: *In the Matter of the Connect America Fund*, WC Docket No. 10-90

Dear Ms. Dortch:

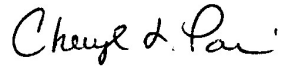
On February 7, 2018, Ken Pfister of Great Plains Communications, Wendy Thompson Fast of the Consolidated Companies, Harold Furchtgott-Roth of Furchtgott-Roth Economic Enterprises and the undersigned met individually with Commissioner Clyburn and Claude Aiken, Commissioner O'Rielly and Amy Bender, Commissioner Carr and Jamie Susskind, Jay Schwartz of Chairman Pai's Office and Travis Litman of Commissioner Rosenworcel's office.

We urged the Commission to increase ACAM funding to \$200 per location to ensure that customers in all areas of the country have an opportunity to have access to broadband. We provided the attached documents including maps showing that at both \$146.10 and \$200 per location many areas of the country, especially those west of the Mississippi River, receive model funding that is significantly below their ACAM cost, maps showing the percent of locations remaining on reasonable request with funding at \$146.10 and \$200 per location and pictures of a Nebraska ranch where ACAM costs are approximately \$400 per location.

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This letter is being filed pursuant to Section 1.1206(b) of the Commission's rules.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Cheryl L. Parrino". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Cheryl" and last name "Parrino" clearly distinguishable.

Cheryl L. Parrino

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Enclosure

cc: Commissioner Clyburn
Claude Aiken
Jay Schwartz

Commissioner O'Rielly
Amy Bender
Jamie Susskind

Commissioner Carr
Travis Litman