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The Honorable Ajit Pai, Michael O'Reilly, Brendan Carr, Jessica Rosenworcel
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, SW
Washington, D.C. 20554

Dear Commissioners,

I write to recommend Geoff Feiss to sit on the Federal Communication Commission's (FCC) Broadband Deployment Advisory Committee (BDAC).

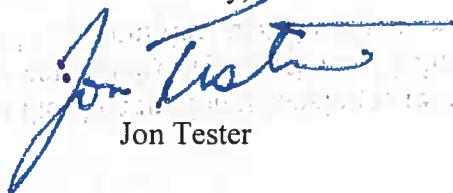
I applaud the FCC for re-chartering the BDAC because I strongly support the advisory committee's mission of accelerating the deployment of high-speed Internet access. Keeping our communities connected is essential to creating jobs, keeping folks safe, and competing in a 21st century economy.

It is my understanding that the Commission is looking to recruit individuals from a variety of industry, regulators, and community organizations. I believe it is critical that rural America gets a seat at the table and I am confident that Geoff will be able to provide meaningful contributions in this area.

Geoff is the General Manager of the Montana Telecommunications Association (MTA). At MTA, Geoff provides consultation and advocacy to independent rural telecommunication service providers that serve the hardest to reach areas of Montana. Very few people understand the challenges of rural broadband infrastructure and access better than Geoff does. His expertise and commitment to increasing broadband service in rural communities make him the ideal candidate.

I would welcome the opportunity to discuss this nomination further and it is without hesitation that I recommend Geoff Feiss to join the FCC's Broadband Deployment Advisory Committee. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,



Jon Tester



FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION
WASHINGTON

OFFICE OF
THE CHAIRMAN

February 5, 2019

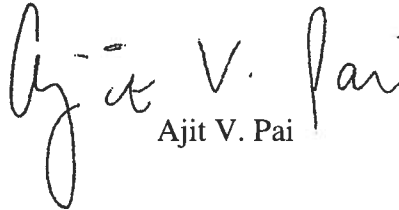
The Honorable Jon Tester
United States Senate
311 Hart Senate Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Senator Tester:

Thank you for your letter supporting the appointment of Mr. Geoff Feiss, General Manager of the Montana Telecommunications Association, to serve on the Commission's Broadband Deployment Advisory Committee (BDAC). We will certainly consider your recommendation and Mr. Feiss's impressive resume as the Commission reviews nominations for the BDAC and its working groups.

I appreciate you taking the time to communicate your recommendation to me. Please let me know if I can be of any further assistance.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Ajit V. Pai". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized "A" and "P".
Ajit V. Pai