

**Before the
FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20554**

In the Matter of)	
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The Uniendo a Puerto Rico Fund and the)	WC Docket No. 18-143
Connect USVI Fund)	
)	
Connect America Fund)	WC Docket No. 10-90
)	
ETC Annual Reports and Certifications)	WC Docket No. 14-58

CERTIFICATION OF PUERTO RICO TELEPHONE COMPANY, INC.

Puerto Rico Telephone Company, Inc., dba Claro (“PRTC”), by its undersigned attorneys and pursuant to the Federal Communications Commission’s (“FCC” or “Commission”) May 8, 2018 Order in the above-captioned proceedings,¹ respectfully submits this certification to participate in Stage 1 of the Uniendo a Puerto Rico Fund. As described in the *Order*, PRTC is a facilities-based provider of wireless and wireline voice and broadband Internet access services seeking to restore services in Puerto Rico, which were disrupted by the hurricanes, and hereby seeks an allocation of Stage 1 funding pursuant to this certification.² For purposes of calculating the total number of subscribers, PRTC relies on the subscription data provided to the Commission in its FCC Form 477 filing in September 2017, as amended.³

As detailed in the attached FCC Form 477 Filing Summaries, PRTC hereby certifies that PRTC had a total of

¹ *The Uniendo a Puerto Rico Fund and the Connect USVI Fund*, Order and Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, FCC 18-57 (rel. May 29, 2018) (“*Order*”).

² *Id.* ¶ 16.

³ *Id.* ¶ 16 & n.31 (stating that a facilities-based provider must first submit a certification regarding the number of subscribers (voice or broadband Internet access service) that the provider served in Puerto Rico as of June 30, 2017, along with accompanying evidence, to the Commission within fourteen days of publication of the *Order*).

voice or broadband Internet access service subscribers in Puerto Rico as of June 30, 2017. This figure includes fixed subscribers and mobile subscribers. Pursuant to Section 7.4 of the FCC Form 477 Filing Instructions⁴ and Sections 0.457, 0.459, 1.7001(d), and 43.11(c) of the Commission's rules,⁵ PRTC has included with this Certification a request that PRTC's FCC Form 477 subscriber counts and Filing Summaries be accorded confidential treatment and not be made available for public inspection.

Pursuant to the terms of the *Order*, this Certification and the accompanying FCC Form 477 Filing Summaries have been filed through the Commission's Electronic Comment Filing System ("ECFS"), and a copy has been emailed to ConnectAmerica@fcc.gov. Should you have any questions regarding this filing, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,

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⁴ Federal Communications Commission, FCC Form 477 Local Telephone Competition and Broadband Reporting Instructions, § 7.4 (Dec. 5, 2016), available at <https://transition.fcc.gov/form477/477inst.pdf>.

⁵ 47 C.F.R. §§ 0.457, 0.459, 1.7001(d), and 43.11(c).

Exhibit 1

FCC Form 477 Filing Summaries

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