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Marlene Dortch, Secretary  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 12<sup>th</sup> Street SW  
Washington, DC 20554

Re: Accelerating Wireless Broadband Deployment by Removing Barriers to Infrastructure  
Development, WT Docket No. 17-79

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On June 27, 2018, Jeffrey A. Stoops, President and Chief Executive Officer of SBA Communications Corporation ("SBA"), and the undersigned, Thomas P. Hunt, Executive Vice President and General Counsel of SBA, met with FCC Chairman Ajit Pai and Rachel Bender, Wireless and International Advisor to Chairman Pai. On the same day, Mr. Stoops and the undersigned also met with FCC Commissioner Brendan Carr and Will Adams, Legal Advisor to Commissioner Carr.

During the meetings, SBA affirmed its support for the expedited deployment of 5G wireless infrastructure and equipment, subject to reasonable limits. SBA expressed its belief that the most effective way to accomplish this is to adopt deployment rules that maintain the positive relationships with states and localities that the wireless carriers and tower companies have spent years developing and strike an appropriate balance between the interests of the wireless providers in deploying these facilities and the interests of state and local authorities in controlling their land use and public infrastructure. SBA asserted that such balance is best accomplished by focusing on deployments in the public rights of way and ensuring that fair and non-discriminatory procedures, rates and fees are applied in processing applications for approvals to install 5G infrastructure and equipment in the rights of way. It noted that the FCC may want to consider the framework established in model state legislation that is the result of collaboration between wireless carriers and tower companies regarding the streamlining of 5G infrastructure and equipment deployment and variations of which have been adopted in more than 20 states. Finally, SBA expressed its belief that the FCC should confirm the desirability of collocation as the preferred method of deployment. The discussion with Chairman Pai and Ms. Bender also included a brief discussion of post natural disaster response by tower companies.

Please contact me should you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Thomas P. Hunt  
Executive Vice President and General Counsel

cc: Rachael Bender (via email)  
Will Adams (via email)