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Ms. Marlene Dortch  
Secretary  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 12<sup>th</sup> Street, SW  
Room TW-A325  
Washington, D.C. 20554

RE: *Ex parte* filing in WC Docket No. 16-271

Dear Ms. Dortch:

The purpose of this correspondence is to fulfill a performance obligation reporting commitment under the Alaska Plan for ASTAC Wireless LLC – CL (ASTAC WL).

As a matter of background and context for the reader, ASTAC WL responded in the affirmative to the question on line 5011 of the Form 481 that there is new backhaul available. This answer directs ASTAC WL to the following directive at page 34 of the instructions:

*In addition, wireless carriers, per section 54.313 (l) (1) (iv), have additional requirements outside the submission of this form. To the extent the funding recipient has not already committed to providing 4G LTE at 10/1 Mbps to the population served by the newly available backhaul by the end of the plan term, submit a revised performance commitment factoring in the availability of the new backhaul option no later than the due date of the FCC Form 481 in which carriers have certified that such backhaul became commercially available. This part of the requirement is not part of this form submission and should instead be submitted in WC Docket No. 16-271.*

ASTAC WL commits to a revised Alaska Plan performance obligation commitment in its markets that are fiber fed with a commitment in two intervals. At the end of year five of the Alaska Plan, ASTAC WL will achieve 5/1 Mbps in the fiber fed markets. At the end of year ten of the Alaska Plan, ASTAC WL will achieve 10/1 Mbps in the fiber fed markets. We will reflect this detail in our revised census block-based performance plan that will be submitted later in 2018 after we complete the busy summer construction season in the North Slope borough.

Should you have any questions, contact me at 907-564-2652, or Jeff Smith on 503-871-7675.

Best Regards,

Jens Laipenleks, CEO