



July 26, 2018

Via ECFS

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

**Re: WC Docket Nos. 10-90, 14-58, 07-135, CC Docket No. 01-92
Grand River Mutual Telephone Corporation Petition for Reconsideration
Ex Parte Letter**

Dear Ms. Dortch:

Grand River Mutual Telephone Corporation ("GRM" or "the Company") hereby submits this letter as a follow up to the Federal Communications Commission's ("FCC" or "Commission") July 20, 2018 Public Notice authorizing additional Alternative Connect America Cost Model ("ACAM") support for rate-of-return companies that elected revised offers.¹ The Public Notice states that the annualized net increase in additional authorized support is approximately \$36 million, and states further that this increase in support will be partially offset by adjustments to transition payments and necessary true-ups.

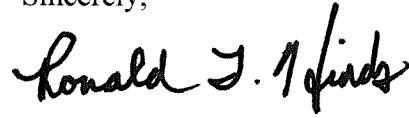
GRM's pending Petition for Reconsideration of the FCC's March 23, 2018 Report and Order requests that additional ACAM funding be earmarked for funding the 747 GRM Missouri study area locations that are "abandoned" - unserved rural census blocks that do not receive any support for broadband deployment due to a clerical error on GRM's Form 477.² GRM notes that the March 23, 2018 Report and Order provided for an additional \$36.5 million in additional annual ACAM support. In view of the approximately \$36 million in additional funding authorized in the FCC Public Notice, GRM urges the Commission to use the balance of available ACAM funds to support the 747 abandoned locations, and thereby grant the Company's Petition for Reconsideration. In the event that the balance is not sufficient to fund all 747 locations, the Commission should allocate additional funding as sought in the Petition for Reconsideration.

¹ *Wireline Competition Bureau Authorizes 175 Rate-of-Return Companies to Receive an Additional \$36 Million Annually in Alternative Connect America Model Support to Expand Rural Broadband*, WC Docket No. 10-90, DA 18-750, rel. July 20, 2018 ("Public Notice").

² Petition for Reconsideration, Grand River Mutual Telephone Corporation, WC Docket No. 10-90 et al., filed May 2, 2018, at 3; *Report and Order, Third Order on Reconsideration, and Notice of Proposed Rulemaking*, WC Docket Nos. 10-90, 14-58, 07-135, CC Docket No. 01-92 (rel. March 23, 2018), FCC 18-29 ("March 23, 2018 Report and Order").

Please direct any questions regarding the filing to the undersigned.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Ronald T. Hinds". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized 'H'.

Ronald T. Hinds
Chief Executive Officer

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