

July 26, 2018

**VIA ECFS**

Marlene Dortch  
Secretary  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 12th Street, SW  
Washington, DC 20554

Re: *Ex Parte Notice: Accelerating Wireless Broadband Deployment by Removing Barriers to Infrastructure Investment, WT Docket No. 17-79; Accelerating Wireline Broadband Deployment by Removing Barriers to Infrastructure Investment, WC Docket No. 17-84*

Dear Ms. Dortch,

On July 24, 2018, the undersigned from INCOMPAS met with Erin McGrath, Legal Advisor to Commissioner O’Rielly, concerning the above-referenced proceeding. INCOMPAS supports adoption by the Commission of the one-touch, make-ready (“OTMR”) process for pole attachments proposed in the draft *Third Report and Order* (“*Draft Order*”) in the above referenced proceedings.

The proposed OTMR will speed the process and reduce costs for pole attachments, improving the ability of new broadband providers to enter the market and offer competitive services. The current process of multiple touch and multiple truck-rolls to the pole is inefficient, costly and, as a result, can substantially delay and hinder the expansion of broadband. This is true regardless of how short the time period each existing attachers has to move their equipment since it must be done on a sequential basis, which is one of the many reasons NCTA’s ASAP proposal would be ineffective in promoting broadband deployment. We also support the decision, in the *Draft Order*, that the benefits of OTMR should not be subverted by binding new attachers’ choice in contractor by the private agreements of existing attachers or subjecting them to a federally-imposed indemnification provisions.

In the meeting we discussed the language in the *Draft Order* surrounding the timing of the existing attacher’s ability to address remedial work related to a service outage. Specifically, the language in the *Draft Order*, that upon receiving notice of a service outage the existing attacher can complete any necessary remedial work “...within 14 days,” means the existing attacher can begin work immediately to restore service. Indeed, parties should work together to ensure service is restored as soon as possible.

Respectfully submitted,

*/s/ Karen Reidy*

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