



July 30, 2018

VIA ELECTRONIC FILING

Ms. Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 Twelfth Street, SW
Washington, DC 20554

Re: Ex Parte Letter, *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; *Streamlining Deployment of Small Cell Infrastructure*, WT Docket No. 16-421

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On July 30, 2018, Kara Graves of CTIA, at the request of Erin McGrath, Legal Advisor to Commissioner Michael O’Rielly, spoke via telephone about an item on the August 2, 2018 Open Meeting agenda. Consistent with filings in these proceedings, CTIA applauded the Commission for its proposal to adopt a Declaratory Ruling to clarify that moratoria – whether express or *de facto*, interim or not – are barriers to wireless deployment and prohibited under the Communications Act.¹ CTIA stressed that timely Commission action on this issue and in addressing several other types of regulations or requirements that have been identified by industry as substantially delaying or deterring service is essential to creating capacity for today’s 4G LTE networks and supporting the nation’s next-generation technologies and services.

Pursuant to Sections 1.1206(b)(2)(v), 1.1203(a)(1), and 1.1204(a)(10) of the Commission’s Rules, a copy of this *ex parte* letter is being submitted via ECFS. Please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned with any questions.

Sincerely,
/s/ Kara R. Graves
Kara R. Graves
Director, Regulatory Affairs

cc: Erin McGrath

¹ *Accelerating Wireline Broadband Deployment by Removing Barriers to Infrastructure Investment; Accelerating Wireless Broadband Deployment by Removing Barriers to Infrastructure Investment*, Draft Third Report and Order, FCC-CIRC1808-03, WT Docket No. 17-79, WC Docket No. 17-84 (draft rel. July 12, 2018).