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**Before the
Federal Communications Commission
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In the Matter of
Notice of Proposed Rulemaking
Universal Service Contribution
Methodology

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FCC Docket No. 19-46
WC Docket No. 06-122

**SUPPORTING SETDA COMMENTS OPPOSING PROPOSED UNIVERSAL SERVICE FUND
CAP CHANGES**

The Public School Facilities Authority (PSFA) – State of New Mexico - is the administrative staff to the Public School Capital Outlay Council (PSCOC). The PSCOC, pursuant to 22-24-6 NMSA 1978, oversees the allocation of state funding for capital outlay projects to public school facilities in New Mexico's 89 school districts. The PSCOC consists of nine council members from the Governor's Office, the Department of Finance & Administration, the Public Education Commission, the Legislative Education Study Committee, the Public Education Department, the New Mexico School Boards Association, the Construction Industries Division, the Legislative Finance Committee, and the Legislative Council Service. The PSCOC reports to the Public School Capital Outlay Oversight Task Force, (PSCOOTF) which is made up of legislators, senior leaders from school districts and charters, and members of the public.

Public School Facilities Authority supports the comments submitted by the State Educational Technology Directors Association (SETDA), opposing the proposal to establish a single cap over the four unique Universal Service Fund (USF) programs.

E-rate funding is essential to New Mexico schools' ability to provide broadband access to their students, a need that will only continue to grow.

Schools and libraries should not have to compete with eligible entities from the other USF programs in order to secure federal funding for their connectivity needs.

Sincerely,

Jonathan Chamblin, Director
Public School Facilities Authority

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