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**Via ECFS**

Marlene Dortch, Secretary  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 12<sup>th</sup> Street, SW  
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**Re: WC Order No. 10-90, WC No. 13-184, and WT Order No. 18-120**

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On August 15, 2019, during meetings and a tour of the Mescalero Apache Reservation, Godfrey Enjady, Sharon Saenz, David Westmascott and Alan Morel with Mescalero Apache Telecommunications, Inc., President Arthur “Butch” Blazer and Vice-President Gabe Aguilar of the Mescalero Apache Tribe, New Mexico Public Regulation Commission Chairwoman Theresa Becenti-Aguilar and Commissioner Jefferson Byrd, and the undersigned, met with Commissioner Geoffrey Starks and Legal Adviser Mike Scurato.

The group discussed the 2.5 GHz Band proceeding, noting its support for a Tribal nation priority filing window. They stated that this should only be a small part of a solution to address broadband access on Tribal lands. Issues surrounding 5G deployment were also discussed.

The group discussed the importance of the Tribal Lifeline program and the need to ensure the National Verifier process does not hinder enrolling people residing on Tribal lands. The participants spoke of complications they are having with the verification process and the need to work with the Commission to address those issues. Additionally, they called on the Commission to reinstate the School Lunch Program as one of the programs for determining eligibility.

The participants also discussed broadband mapping and the inaccuracy of the Form 477, infrastructure enhancement, modernizing the E-Rate Program, and updating the definition of “rural.”

Pursuant to Section 1.1206(b) of the Commission’s Rules, this submission is being filed for inclusion in the public record of the referenced proceeding.

Sincerely,

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