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Notice of Ex Parte

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

*Re: Bridging the Digital Divide for Low-Income Consumers
Lifeline and Link Up Reform and Modernization
Telecommunications Carriers Eligible for Universal
Service Support*

*WC Docket No. 17-287
WC Docket No. 11-42

WC Docket No. 09-197*

Dear Ms. Dortch:

Attached for your review is a letter and report detailing shortcomings of the often-cited 2017 GAO Report on the FCC's Lifeline Plan that I submitted earlier today to Chairmen Walden and Thune and Ranking Members Pallone and Nelson (of the House Committee on Energy and Commerce and the Senate Committee on Commerce, Science and Transportation). Please do not hesitate to reach me with any questions you may have.

Best regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Susan M. Gately".

Susan Gately