

November 6, 2017

Via ECF

Ms. Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 12<sup>th</sup> Street, S.W. – Lobby Level  
Washington, DC 20554

**NOTICE OF EX PARTE CONTACT**

<i>Bridging the Digital Divide for Low-Income Consumers</i>	)	<i>WC Docket No. 17-287</i>
<i>Lifeline and Link Up Reform and Modernization</i>	)	<i>WC Docket No. 11-42</i>
<i>Telecommunications Carriers Eligible for Universal Service Support</i>	)	<i>WC Docket No. 09-197</i>

Dear Ms. Dortch:

This letter provides notice of an ex parte contact in the above-captioned docketed proceedings, conducted on November 6, 2017. I, acting as pro bono counsel to the Oglala Sioux Tribe, held discussions with Lyle Ishida and Sayuri Rajapakse of the Office of Native Affairs and Policy, and Ryan Palmer, Chief of the Telecommunications Access Policy Division. Portions of the discussion discussed the Tribe's intent to submit comments in the upcoming proceeding, and discussed the Tribe's position on third-party verification and recertification of Lifeline eligibility. In addition, a Powerpoint presentation was submitted during these discussions. A redacted copy of that presentation, consisting only of slides involving issues raised in the proceedings noted above, is appended to this Notice.

Please associate this Notice and attached presentation with the docketed proceedings listed above.

Respectfully submitted,



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cc: Ryan Palmer, Lyle Ishida, Sayuri Rajapakse