



November 21, 2019

Ms. Marlene Dortch  
Secretary  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 12<sup>th</sup> Street, SW  
Room TW-A325  
Washington, D.C. 20554

RE: *Ex parte* filing in WC Docket Nos. 10-90 and 16-271

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On November 20, the undersigned from GVNW Consulting, Inc. (GVNW) and James Dunn, CEO for Copper Valley Telephone (CVT) conducted an *ex parte* meeting regarding Alaska Plan updates with Rural Broadband Advisor Preston Wise in Chairman Pai's office.

The *ex parte* meeting included updates from Copper Valley on their wireline and wireless Alaska Plan obligations through year three of the Alaska Plan. We reviewed excerpts from the first two videos in CVT's "Broadband that Matters" series. The first video highlighted the applications now available to students in the Copper River Basin from the robust infrastructure deployed with Alaska Plan funding by CVT. The second success story shows the high-tech computer programming jobs that have come to Valdez from the lower 48 with a group called "Geeks in the Woods", made possible due to the availability of high-speed broadband and a pioneering spirit embodied in the Geeks in the Woods founders. In sum, CVT has invested its Alaska Plan funding to improve the broadband customer experience for its members.

Maintaining adequate and sufficient federal universal service funding (FUSF) is required for implementation of all of the Commission's universal service initiatives. As required by the Commission's rules, this *ex parte* record is filed in the above referenced dockets. If there are any questions, please call me on 503-612-4409.

Sincerely,

*Filed ECFS*

Jeffrey H. Smith  
President and CEO

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Preston Wise, FCC