



October 13, 2014

Ex Parte Notice

Ms. Marlene H. Dortch
Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, S.W.
Washington, DC 20554

RE: *Ex Parte* Notice - WC Docket No. 13-184, Modernizing the E-Rate Program for Schools and Libraries
CC Docket No. 02-6, Schools and Libraries Universal Service Support Mechanism

Dear Ms. Dortch:

Pursuant to Section 1.1206 of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. § 1.1206, the undersigned provides notice that on September 30, 2014, the members of the E-Rate Management Professionals Association (E-mpa) as listed below met with Lisa Hone and James Bachtell of the FCC's Wireline Competition Bureau.

During our meeting we discussed the following topics:

- Implementation of changes in the E-Rate program as promulgated by the E-Rate Modernization Order.
- Questions submitted by E-mpa regarding form changes and other administrative matters.
- E-mpa advocated for clarification that switches and similar components would be considered fully eligible under Category Two since their purpose is to distribute data even though ineligible end user equipment is connected to the switch or similar component. Additionally, E-mpa expressed concerns regarding the administrative complexity of removing the telephone components from the bills during the E-rate application and invoicing process.

The E-Rate Management Professionals Association is an advocate for the critical role served by E-Rate management professionals and consultants. The organization strives to strengthen and support the E-Rate program by acting as a self-certifying body of E-Rate management professionals and consultants. E-mpa's mission is to promote excellence and ethics in E-rate professional management and consulting through certification, education, and professional resources.



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The following E-MPA members joined Tuesday's meeting via online:

E-Rate Advantage - Ben Sniecinski and Bob Sniecinski
Kellogg & Sovereign Consulting - Natalie Green and Stacy Simpkins
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Respectfully submitted,

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