



October 29, 2014

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

Re: WC Docket No. 13-184

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On October 16, 2014, the following members of the Education & Libraries Networks Coalition met with Gigi Sohn of the Chairman's staff, Trent Harkrader, Lisa Hone and Patrick Halley of the Wireline Competition Bureau, Jon Wilkins of the Office of Managing Director, and Jonathan Chambers of the Office of Policy and Plans:

Mary Kusler and Corey Williams of the National Education Association
Keith Krueger and Reg Leichty representing the Consortium for School Networking
Noelle Ellerson of AASA: The School Superintendents Association
Jon Bernstein representing the International Society for Technology in Education
Marijke Visser of the American Library Association
Kathy Knight of the US Conference of Catholic Bishops
Amanda Karhuse and Ellen Fern of the National Association of Secondary School Principals

During the meeting, the group discussed possible changes to the program's Category 1 external connections rules to close what the Chairman has termed the rural fiber gap. The group also discussed possible changes to the new Category 2 formula and the appropriate future funding level for the program. EdLiNC reiterated the immediate need to increase the program's annual cap.

Sincerely,

Jon Bernstein
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