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Ms. Julie Veach,
Chief, Wireline Competition Bureau
Federal Communications Commission
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Re: **PRT's Notice of Interest in CAF Phase II Frozen Support in WC Docket No. 10-90**

Dear Ms. Veach:

Puerto Rico Telephone Company, Inc. ("PRT"), by counsel, files this notice of interest in Connect America Fund ("CAF") Phase II frozen support pursuant to the Commission's *CAF Order*. See *Connect America Fund*, Report and Order, WC Docket No. 10-90, FCC 14-190 ¶ 45 (rel. Dec. 18, 2014) ("*CAF Order*").

On December 18, 2014, the Commission required that "non-contiguous carrier[s] . . . notify the Bureau no later than 15 days after the release of this Order whether it is interested in Phase II frozen support in lieu of model-based support." *Id.* PRT continues to support the Commission's decision to remove Puerto Rico from the Connect America Cost Model ("CAM") and maintain its existing price cap incumbent LEC high cost support for 10/1 Mbps broadband service. However, PRT emphasizes again that its use of frozen support for Phase II broadband deployment must include the flexibility necessary to take into account the unique circumstances in Puerto Rico. Specifically, PRT requests that the Commission allow it to deploy 10/1 Mbps broadband to any "census block where there is [not] a competitor providing service of 10/1 Mbps or greater." *Id.* ¶ 49.

Respectfully Submitted,

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