

February 27, 2015

**EX PARTE**

Ms. Marlene H. Dortch  
Secretary  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 12th Street, SW  
Portals II, Room TW-A325  
Washington, DC 20554

Re: Ex Parte Communication: WC Docket Nos. 14-115, 14-116

Dear Ms. Dortch:

This letter is to inform you that on February 26, 2015, Matthew Shuler, MIS/GIS Director, Town of Highlands (Highlands, North Carolina), Richard Thornton, Treasury Services Manager, McKee Foods Corporation (Bradley County, Tennessee), Eva VanHook, Executive Director of Family Promise of Bradley County (Bradley County, Tennessee), Jeff Wilson, IT Director, Town of Holly Springs (Holly Springs, North Carolina), Ellen Satterwhite and Maura Corbett of the Glen Echo Group met with Chairman Tom Wheeler, Gigi Sohn and Eric Feigenbaum from his office, Deena Shetler, Randy Clark Julie Veach and Dan Kahn of the Wireline Competition Bureau and Madeleine Findley from the Office of General Counsel in connection with the proceedings mentioned above. Below is a summary of the conversation.

Mr. Wilson described the state of broadband competition in Holly Springs and its impact on consumers and businesses. Mr. Shuler discussed the lack of affordable, high-speed broadband access in the town of Highlands. Mr. Thornton expressed his view that the free market has let him and his neighbors down. He has lived in his home for the last 30 years and there's no phone, cable, fiber – he relies on two mobile hot spots from two carriers. Ms. VanHook discussed the challenges her family faces in getting schoolwork done and connecting with people because of the lack of broadband access to her home.

Please let me know if you have any questions,

Ellen Satterwhite

cc: Gigi Sohn, Eric Feigenbaum