



The voice of mid-size communications companies

April 27, 2015

Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 12<sup>th</sup> Street, S.W.  
Washington, DC 20554

**Re: *Ex Parte* Communication: WC Docket No. 10-90**

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On April 23, 2015, Bob DeBroux of TDS Telecom, Wendy Fast of the Consolidated Companies, Trey Judy of Hargray, Steve Kraskin of the Rural Broadband Alliance, Greg Lunsford of Comporium, Keith Oliver of Home Telephone Company, Ken Pfister of Great Plains Communications, and Genny Morelli and the undersigned of ITTA met with Carol Matthey, Alex Minard, Suzanne Yelen, and Ryan Palmer of the Wireline Competition Bureau to discuss an alternative regulation plan for rate-of-return companies.

We discussed various parameters for a voluntary transition to model-based support for rate-of-return companies and how to integrate the various model-based plans that have been developed into a single approach. We continue to work diligently on developing a unified approach for a voluntary transition to model-based support for the rate-of-return community and fully support the Commission's goal of adopting comprehensive universal service reforms for rate-of-return companies by the end of this year.

Please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned with any questions regarding this submission.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Micah M. Caldwell".

Micah M. Caldwell  
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cc: Carol Matthey  
Alex Minard  
Suzanne Yelen  
Ryan Palmer