

May 26, 2015

**VIA ELECTRONIC FILING**

Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 Twelfth Street, SW  
Washington, DC 20554

**Re: *Ex Parte* Presentation, Lifeline and Link Up Reform and Modernization WC  
Docket No. 11-42**

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On May 21, 2015, Scott Bergmann, Krista Witanowski, and Matthew Gerst of CTIA-The Wireless Association® (“CTIA”), met with Ryan Palmer, Garnet Hanly, Trent Harkrader, and Jonathan Lechter of the Wireline Competition Bureau, and Gigi Sohn from the Office of Chairman Wheeler to discuss the anticipated Lifeline Reform Order and Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (“FNPRM”) in the above referenced docket

During the meeting, the parties discussed the Commission’s potential actions to further reform the Lifeline program including proposals to automate consumer eligibility determinations. CTIA expressed general support for the Commission’s recent efforts to deter waste, fraud and abuse of the Lifeline program, including support for the National Lifeline Accountability Database which has successfully limited duplicate enrollments.

The parties also discussed the Commission’s interest in expanding the services eligible for Lifeline support to include a minimum level of broadband service. In potentially defining broadband as an eligible service for purposes of the Lifeline program, CTIA encouraged the Commission to recognize the unique characteristics and ability of mobile broadband services to offer affordable broadband services to low-income consumers.

Pursuant to Section 1.1206 of the Commission’s rules, 47 C.F.R. § 1.1206, this letter is being electronically filed via ECFS with your office and a copy of this submission is being provided to the meeting attendees. Please direct any questions to the undersigned.

Sincerely,

*/s/ Scott Bergmann*

Scott K. Bergmann

cc: Ryan Palmer  
Garnet Hanly



Trent Harkrader  
Jonathan Lechter  
Gigi Sohn