



July 1, 2015

***Ex Parte Notice***

Ms. Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 12th Street, S.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20554

**RE: *Connect America Fund, WC Docket No. 10-90***

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On Tuesday, June 30, 2015, the undersigned, on behalf of NTCA–The Rural Broadband Association, together with Gerry Duffy and Derrick Owens on behalf of WTA-Advocates for Rural Broadband, Genevieve Morelli on behalf of ITTA-The Voice of Mid-Size Communications Companies, and Lynn Follansbee on behalf of the United States Telecom Association met with Amy Bender, legal advisor to Commissioner Michael O’Rielly, Rebekah Goodheart, legal advisor to Commissioner Mignon Clyburn, and Carol Matthey, Deputy Chief of the Wireline Competition Bureau, regarding issues presented in the above-referenced proceedings. Specifically, we discussed the efforts of the above-referenced parties and other stakeholders to develop proposals for updating of existing cost recovery mechanisms to address consumer demand for broadband services and potential voluntary optional paths toward model-based universal service support. We described how various proposals might meet reform goals established by the Federal Communications Commission (the “Commission”) and statutory universal service principles, ongoing efforts to examine and refine such proposals, and the need for further processes to resolve any open issues relating to such proposals.

Thank you for your attention to this correspondence. Pursuant to Section 1.1206 of the Commission’s rules, a copy of this letter is being filed via ECFS.

Sincerely,

/s/ Michael R. Romano  
Michael R. Romano  
Senior Vice President – Policy

cc: Amy Bender  
Rebekah Goodheart  
Carol Matthey