

December 10, 2015

Ex Parte

Ms. Marlene H. Dortch
Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, SW
Washington, DC 20554

Re: *Connect America Fund*, WC Docket No. 10-90; *High Cost Universal Service Support*, WC Docket No. 05-337; *Universal Service Reform Mobility Fund*, WT Docket No. 10-208; *ETC Annual Reports and Certifications*, WC Docket No. 14-58; *Establishing Just and Reasonable Rates for Local Exchange Carriers*, WC Docket No. 07-135; *Developing a Unified Inter-carrier Compensation Regime*, CC Docket No. 01-92

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On December 8, 2015, Tina Pidgeon and Chris Nierman of General Communication, Inc. (“GCI”) and I met with Commissioner Rosenworcel and her legal advisor, Travis Litman, and Commissioner O’Rielly and his legal advisor, Amy Bender. On December 9, 2015, we met with Commissioner Pai and his legal advisor, Nicholas Degani. In all three meetings we discussed the Alaska Plan and how, following the path established by the treatment of price cap carriers in non-contiguous areas, the Alaska Plan presents a forward-looking path to improve broadband deployment, in part by stretching existing universal service support further and retargeting support to areas that most need it, while recognizing that Alaska’s unique geographic, demographic and infrastructure challenges necessitate tailoring universal service support to Alaska’s varied circumstances. We urged that all parts of the Alaska Plan, including those addressing Alaska’s underdeveloped mobile service infrastructure, be adopted contemporaneously with near-term changes to the rate-of-return Connect America Fund II for the Lower 48.

Please contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,



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cc: Commissioner Michael O’Rielly Amy Bender
Commissioner Ajit Pai Nicholas Degani
Commissioner Jessica Rosenworcel Travis Litman