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**VIA ECFS**

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

Re: *Connect America Fund, WC Docket No. 10-90; Petition of USTelecom for  
Forbearance Under 47 U.S.C. § 160(c), WC Docket No. 14-192*

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On January 11, 2015, Kathleen Abernathy, Executive Vice President of External Affairs of Frontier Communications ("Frontier") and I met with Commissioner Ajit Pai and Nicholas Degani, Legal Advisor to Commissioner Ajit Pai. We discussed the attached presentation, which explains the current unfunded obligation that price cap carriers have to provide voice in extremely high cost census blocks. Frontier explained that providing funding, even if only on an interim basis, would preserve this essential service for customers residing in rural America and would not undermine the FCC's ultimate goal of universal broadband availability.

Pursuant to Section 1.1206 of the Commission's rules, this letter is being filed electronically with your office.

Sincerely,

/s/ AJ Burton

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cc: Nicholas Degani

Attachment