


Universal Service Administrative Company

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 Chief Executive Officer

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 Magalie Roman-Salas, Secretary
 Attn: Dorothy Attwood
 Chief, Common Carrier Bureau
 Federal Communications Commission
 445 12th Street, SW.
 Washington, DC 20554

 RE: USAC Board of Directors' Terms Expiring on December 31, 2001
CC Docket Nos. 96-45 and 97-21

Dear Ms. Attwood:

In its Plan of Reorganization submitted to the Commission in 1998, the Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC) proposed that the terms of its Board of Directors be staggered so that there would be continuity of Board membership. The FCC adopted that recommendation. The Commission's November 1998 USAC Reorganization Order states that the USAC plan "proposes that Board members serve staggered three-year terms. We adopt the Plan's proposal and amend our rules accordingly. These measures help ensure continuity on the Board and continuity in the administration of the support mechanisms. Because the merger is scheduled to take place by January 1, 1999, we conclude that Board member terms should commence on January 1 and conclude on December 31, three years after appointment. Consistent with the January 1, 1999, merger date, and to ensure continuity during the initial implementation of the revised administrative structure, we conclude that the terms of six Board members should expire on December 31, 2000, another six on December 31, 2001, and the remaining six on December 31, 2002."

At the April 20, 1999, Board meeting, the USAC Board of Directors selected which directors to fill each of the terms per the direction in the FCC order. The Board members whose terms will expire on December 31, 2001, are as follows:

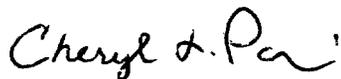
BOARD MEMBER	REPRESENTING
Anne L. Bryant	Schools that are eligible to receive discounts
Frank J. Gumper	The largest incumbent local exchange carriers
Martha S. Hogerty	Consumer advocates
Kathleen G. Ouye	Libraries that are eligible to receive discounts
Lisa Rosenblum	Cable Operators
Thomas E. Wheeler	Commercial mobile radio service providers

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Although USAC is not required to notify the FCC when the terms of its Board members expire, the Board directed staff to do so in order to inform the Commission and to provide the Commission with adequate time in the event it desires to issue a notice to the affected stakeholder groups. The USAC Board of Directors would appreciate receiving the names of the Chairman's selection for directors to fill these terms in time to elect the directors to the Board at its January 24, 2002, quarterly meeting.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. If you have any questions or concerns regarding this matter, please do not hesitate to call me at (202) 263-1600.

Sincerely,



Cheryl L. Parrino
Chief Executive Officer

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cc: Chairman Powell
Commissioner Furchtgott-Roth
Commissioner Ness
Commissioner Tristani
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