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Common Carrier Bureau Seeks Nominations for Board Member Position on the Universal Service Administrative Company Board of Directors

CC Docket Nos. 96-45/97-21

Release Date: November 2, 2001

Nominations due by: November 13, 2001

Pursuant to section 54.703(c) of the Commission's rules,¹ the Common Carrier Bureau seeks nominations for the following Board member position on the Board of Directors of the Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC):

- Representative for state telecommunications regulators (formerly held by Allan T. Thoms, Chairman of the Iowa Utilities Board)

Chairman Thoms vacated his position on the USAC Board, effective October 26, 2001. On behalf of the Federal Communications Commission, the Common Carrier Bureau wishes to thank Chairman Thoms for his dedicated service on the USAC Board.

Pursuant to section 54.703(c)(1) of the Commission's rules, only members of the industry group that a Board member will represent may submit a nomination for that position (*e.g.*, only state telecommunications regulators may submit nominations for the Board member who will represent state telecommunications regulators). In order to expedite the appointment process, members of the relevant industry group are encouraged to nominate a single candidate who possesses substantial experience in, and knowledge of, telecommunications issues. If members of the relevant industry group fail to reach consensus on a candidate to serve on the Board, or fail to submit a nomination for the particular Board member seat, the Chairman of the Federal Communications Commission will select an individual from that industry group to serve on the Board.

Pursuant to section 54.703(c)(2) of the Commission's rules,² each nomination must be captioned: **"In the Matter of: Nomination for Universal Service Administrative Company**

¹ 47 C.F.R. § 54.703 (c).

² 47 C.F.R. § 54.703(c)(2).

Board of Directors, CC Docket Nos. 97-21 and 96-45.” An original and four copies of each nomination must be filed, in accordance with Part 1 of the Commission’s rules, with the Commission’s Secretary, Magalie Roman Salas, Office of the Secretary, Federal Communications Commission, 445 – 12th Street, S.W., Room TW-A325, Washington, D.C. 20554. In addition, two copies of each nomination should be submitted to Sheryl Todd, Accounting Policy Division, Common Carrier Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, 445 – 12th Street, S.W., Room 5-A422, Washington, D.C. 20554. Each nomination should specify the position on the Board of Directors for which such nomination is submitted and should be accompanied by the nominee’s professional and biographical information, such as a resume or professional biography. Nominations received prior to the release of this public notice will be considered and do not need to be resubmitted. **All nominations must be filed with the Office of the Secretary by November 13, 2001.**

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