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National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners

March 28, 2008

The Honorable Kevin Martin, Chairman
Office of the Chairman
Federal Communications Commission
445 – 12th Street, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20554.

RE: *In the Matter of the Federal-State Joint Conference on Advanced Telecommunications Services. CC Docket No. 99-294*

***NARUC Nominations to the Federal State Joint Conference on Advanced Services:
The Honorable Rachelle Chong (California),
The Honorable Betty Ann Kane (District of Columbia),
The Honorable Mark K. Johnson (Alaska),
The Honorable Randy Mitchell (South Carolina),
The Honorable Krista Tanner (Iowa), and
The Honorable Vendean V. Vafiades (Maine)***

Dear Chairman Martin,

The Federal-State Joint Conference on Advanced Services was created by the FCC October 8, 1999. On December 23, 2003, the FCC increased the size of the conference to include representatives from seven State commissions. Earlier this month, on March 19, 2008, you announced the FCC is reconstituting this conference and solicited “nominations for state commission representatives from the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners (NARUC).” The only current NARUC representative on the Joint Conference, appointed in 2005, is the Honorable Larry Landis of Indiana. Since 2005, departures have left vacant six slots for the NARUC representatives to fill on this critically important federal advisory committee.

In accordance with your request, pursuant to Section 26 of NARUC’s *Policy Governing Committees and Representatives*, NARUC’s President, Marsha Smith, nominates THE HONORABLE RACHELLE CHONG(California Public Utilities Commission), THE HONORABLE BETTY ANN KANE(District of Columbia Public Service Commission), THE HONORABLE MARK K. JOHNSON(Regulatory Commission of Alaska), THE HONORABLE RANDY MITCHELL(South Carolina Public Service Commission), THE HONORABLE KRISTA TANNER(Iowa Utilities Board), and THE HONORABLE VENDEAN V. VAFIADES(Maine Public Utilities Commission) to fill the vacancies listed above. I have e-mailed copies of this letter to Wireline Competition Bureau Chief Dana Shaffer and FCC attorney Amy Bender.

If you have any questions about these nominations, please do not hesitate to call me at 202.898.2207 or jramsay@naruc.org.

Respectfully Submitted

/s/ J. Bradford Ramsay

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