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Federal Communications Commission
445 Twelfth St., SW
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**Re: High-Cost Universal Service Support, WC Docket No. 05-337;
Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service, CC Docket No. 96-45**

Dear Ms. Dortch:

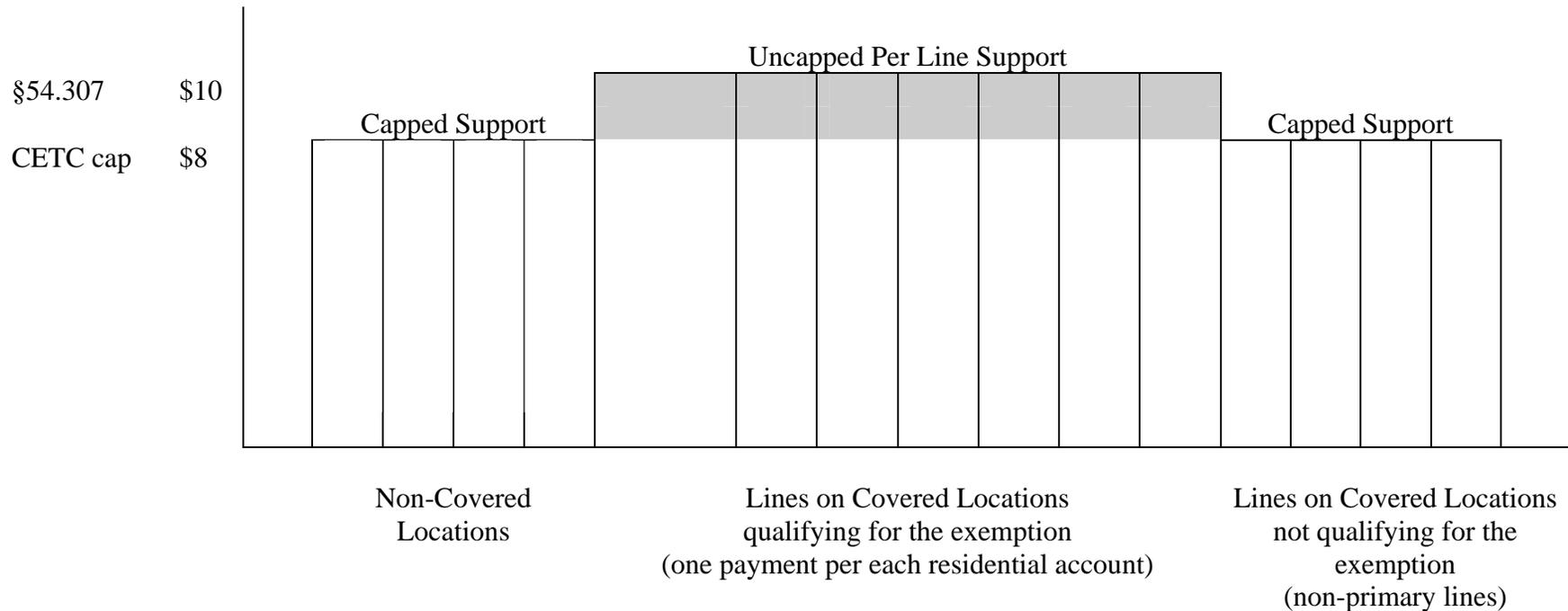
David A. LaFuria, on behalf of Smith Bagley, Inc., and Mark Rubin and I, on behalf of Alltel Communications, LLC, met today with Jeremy Marcus, Jennifer McKee and Alex Minard of the Wireline Competition Bureau to discuss the implementation of the exemption from the “interim cap” on universal service support for competitive eligible telecommunications carriers on tribal lands/Alaska Native regions, as set forth in ¶ 33 and footnote 98 of the Order, FCC 08-122, released May 1, 2008. We referred to the attached handout during this meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

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Implementation of the Tribal Lands/Alaska Native Regions Exemption from the Interim Cap on CETC USF Support



¶ 33. “...except that the uncapped per line support is limited to one payment per each residential account. If a competitive ETC serves lines in both Covered Locations and non-Covered Locations (or only Covered Locations), the universal service administrator shall determine the amount of additional support – after application of the interim cap – necessary to ensure that a competitive ETC receives the same per-line support amount as the incumbent LEC for the lines qualifying for the exception.”^{98,}

Fn. 98: For example, if the uncapped per-line support amount in a competitive ETC’s service area is \$10 per line, but the application of the interim cap reduces the per-line support amount to \$8 per line, the competitive ETC would receive an additional \$2 for each qualifying line in a Covered Location.