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The Honorable Kevin J. Martin
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street
Washington, DC 20554

Dear Chairman Martin:

As a Georgia Public Service Commissioner I'm filing this letter in support of the Motion for Public Comment filed by the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners ("NARUC") on October 21, 2008.

The order currently being considered by the FCC will have a significant impact on the rates charged to rural consumers, on the continued ability of rural and mid-sized carriers to provide high quality communications services and invest in broadband deployment in rural areas. The Commission agrees with NARUC that parties have not had adequate opportunity to comment on this proposal. As NARUC correctly asserts, the proposed reform plan "bears little resemblance to proposals the FCC has actually sought comments on." Absent an opportunity to comment, the FCC should delay its scheduled vote on this proposed plan.

I fully supports NARUC's recommended course of action that the FCC only decide the compensation for the termination of dial-up ISP bound traffic and issue a further notice of proposed rulemaking giving parties a meaningful opportunity to comment on the proposed order.

Sincerely,

Stan Wise
Georgia Public Service Commissioner

cc: Honorable Michael J. Copps, Commissioner
Honorable Jonathan S. Adelstein, Commissioner
Honorable Deborah Taylor Tate, Commissioner
Honorable Robert M. McDowell, Commissioner