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January 10, 2011

**VIA ECFS**

Ms. Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 12<sup>th</sup> Street, SW  
Washington, DC 20554

**Re: Notice of *Ex Parte* Presentation  
In the Matter of Connect America Fund, WC Docket No. 10-90,  
A National Broadband Plan for Our Future, GN Docket No. 09-51,  
and High-Cost Universal Service Support, WC Docket No. 05-337**

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On January 6, 2011, Harold Furchtgott-Roth of Furchtgott-Roth Economic Enterprises, Ken Pfister of Great Plains Communications, Wendy Fast of Consolidated Companies of Nebraska, Larry Thompson of Vantage Point Solutions, Inc. and Edit Kranner of Consortia Consulting met with Bradley Gillen, legal advisor on wireline issues for Commissioner Atwell Baker. During this meeting, these individuals discussed with Mr. Gillen a capital expenditure study on cost of fiber to the premise, which was conducted by the Nebraska Rural Independent Companies.<sup>1</sup> The attachments to this letter were referenced during the meeting.

In addition, the Nebraska Rural Independent Companies' representatives shared their concerns about actions of certain interexchange carriers refusing to pay all or portions of legally tariffed switched access charges to rural incumbent local exchange carriers, as well as widespread instances of problems with completion of interexchange calls in areas served by rural incumbent local exchange carriers.

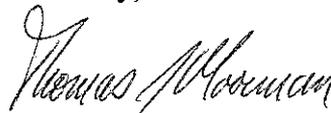
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<sup>1</sup> The Nebraska Rural Independent Companies are: Arlington Telephone Company, Blair Telephone Company, Cambridge Telephone Co., Clarks Telecommunications Co., Consolidated Telephone Company, Consolidated Telco, Inc., Consolidated Telecom, Inc., The Curtis Telephone Company, Eastern Nebraska Telephone Company, Great Plains Communications, Inc., Hamilton Telephone Company, Hartington Telecommunications Co., Inc. Hershey Cooperative Telephone Company, Inc., K & M Telephone Company, Inc., The Nebraska Central Telephone Company, Northeast Nebraska Telephone Company, Rock County Telephone Company, Stanton Telephone Co., Inc., and Three River Telco.

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This letter is being filed pursuant to Section 1.1206(b) of the Commission's rules.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Thomas J. Moorman". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial 'T'.

Thomas J. Moorman  
Counsel to the  
Nebraska Rural Independent Companies

Attachments

cc: Bradley Gillen