



March 1, 2011

Ex Parte

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

Re: *Telecommunications Carriers Eligible to Receive Universal Service Support*, WC
Docket No. 09-197

Dear Ms. Dortch:

I spoke with Zachary Katz, Legal Advisor to the Chairman, regarding i-wireless LLC's ("i-wireless") Compliance Plan, which is awaiting FCC approval. I urged that i-wireless' plan be approved quickly. i-wireless has several pending state ETC applications that are being held up waiting for FCC action on its compliance plan. i-wireless has revised its plan to address all concerns raised by staff. Although the Commission may be considering changes to its Lifeline rules as part of an NPRM to be considered at the open meeting later this week, the Commission should, in the interim, continue to process compliance plans for carriers for whom it has already found that forbearance from Section 214(e)'s facilities-based requirement is in the public interest.

Sincerely,

John T. Nakahata
Counsel to i-wireless, LLC.

cc: Zachary Katz