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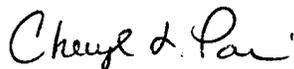
Ms. Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street SW
Washington, DC 20554

Re: *In the Matter of a National Broadband Plan for Our Future*, GN Docket No. 09-51, *Connect America Fund*, WC Docket No. 10-90, *High-Cost Universal Service Support*, WC Docket No. 05-337, and *Developing an Unified Intercarrier Compensation Regime*, CC Docket No. 01-92

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On April 20, 2011, Ken Pfister of Great Plains Communications, Wendy Thompson Fast of Consolidated Companies of Nebraska, Edit Kranner of Consortia Consulting, Larry Thompson of Vantage Point Solutions, and Gregg Amend of Moss Adams LLP and I met with Ms. Carol Matthey, Ms. Amy Bender, Ms. Katie King, Mr. Kevin King, Ms. Elise Kohn, and Mr. Steve Rosenberg of the WCB on behalf of the Nebraska Rural Independent Companies to provide data that would be helpful to the Commission to ensure that rate-of-return carriers' support would continue to be based on actual costs and to preserve rate of return regulation in the future. Among the issues discussed included an update on the Capital Expenditure Study filed with the Commission on January 6, 2011, preliminary results of a regression analysis regarding operating expenses, ideas for encouraging a state role, and an indication of support for the methodology proposed by the rural associations for limiting the pace of annual capital expenditures for broadband facilities deployment in light of limited funding levels. The attached presentation was provided to the Commission staff.

Sincerely,



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Ms. Katie King	Mr. Kevin King
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