



October 22, 2011

**Ex Parte Notice – Exempt from Sunshine Prohibition Pursuant to 47 CFR § 1.1203(a)(1), 1.1204(a)(10)**

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

Re: *Connect America Fund*, WC Docket No. 10-90; *A National Broadband Plan for Our Future*, GN Docket No. 09-51; *Establishing Just and Reasonable Rates for Local Exchange Carriers*, WC Docket No. 07-135; *High-Cost Universal Service Support*, WC Docket No. 05-337; *Developing an Unified Inter-carrier Compensation Regime*, CC Docket No. 01-92; *Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service*, CC Docket No. 96-45; *Lifeline and Link-Up*, WC Docket No. 03-109

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On October 22, 2011, I spoke with Bradley Gillen of the Wireline Competition Bureau. Mr. Gillen requested that I provide feedback as to certain possible provisions being considered by the Commission with respect to the universal service transition for rural Alaska. I asked a number of questions with respect to those proposal, but did not provide affirmative feedback during this call. Although I do not believe that I made a presentation, as contemplated by the ex parte rules, I am nonetheless filing this notice out of an abundance of caution.

Sincerely,

/s/

John T. Nakahata  
*Counsel to General Communication, Inc.*

cc: Bradley Gillen