



January 30, 2012

Sharon Gillett
Chief, Wireline Competition Bureau
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, SW
Washington, DC 20554

Re: Low Income Disbursements in 2011 (WC Docket Nos. 11-42, 03-109; CC Docket No. 96-45)

Dear Ms. Gillett:

The Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC) is required to file certain data concerning the Low Income Support Program, including disbursement data, with the Federal Communications Commission (Commission) on a quarterly basis.¹ The next submission will be filed on February 1, 2012. Pursuant to 47 C.F.R. §1.1204(a)(12)(iii), to provide the Commission with the most current information, USAC is providing the 4th Quarter 2011 (4Q2011) disbursement total in advance of the filing deadline. In 4Q2011, USAC disbursed \$502 million in Low Income Program support to eligible telecommunications carriers. This amount will be published in Appendix LI04 on February 1, 2012.

The chart below shows the total amount of Low Income Program support disbursed in 2011, by component. These are the amounts actually paid by USAC through disbursements to eligible telecommunications carriers (ETCs) during calendar year 2011.

	Support Disbursed in 2011
Lifeline	\$1,619,977,415
Link Up	\$122,906,637
Toll Limitation Service	\$7,843,568
TOTAL	\$1,750,727,620

¹ 47 C.F.R. § 54.702(h).

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The chart below shows the total amount of Low Income Program support claimed by ETCs on FCC Form 497 for 2011 as of the date of this letter. Please note that the due date for ETCs to file 4Q2011 support claims is January 31, 2012, and we anticipate that additional claims will be filed on or before that date, which will increase the amount of support claimed reported below.

	Support Claimed for 2011
Lifeline	\$1,618,152,736
Link Up	\$129,259,717
Toll Limitation Service	\$10,929,504
TOTAL	\$1,758,341,957

Sincerely,

//s// Karen Majcher
Vice President High Cost and Low Income Division