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**VIA COURIER AND ECFS**

***EX PARTE***

March 19, 2012

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

Re: *WC Docket No. 10-90, Connect America Fund; GN Docket No. 09-51, National Broadband Plan for our Future; WC Docket No. 07-135, Establishing Just and Reasonable Rates for Local Exchange Carriers; WC Docket No. 05-337, High-Cost Universal Service Support; CC Docket No. 01-92*

Dear Ms. Dortch:

Please find enclosed two copies of the redacted version of the Comments of Windstream Communications, Inc. on Petition for Limited Waiver of Verizon (the “Comments”) for filing in the above-referenced dockets. One machine-readable copy of the redacted version of the Comments will also be filed electronically via ECFS.

This confidential treatment is required to protect proprietary and confidential information. Pursuant to the Protective Order in this Proceeding,<sup>1</sup> Windstream is submitting to the Secretary one copy of the Stamped Confidential Document, Windstream also is sending two copies of the Stamped Confidential Document to Ms. Lynne Hewitt Engledow, Pricing Policy Division, Wireline Competition Bureau.

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<sup>1</sup> *Developing a Unified Intercarrier Compensation Regime; Establishing Just and Reasonable Rates for Local Exchange Carriers; Connect America Fund; High-Cost Universal Service Support; A National Broadband Plan for Our Future*, CC Docket No. 01-92, WC Docket Nos. 07-135, 10-90, and 05-337, GN Docket Nos. 09-51, Protective Order, DA 10-1749 (rel. September 16, 2010) (Protective Order).

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Please contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely yours,

/s/ Malena F. Barzilai

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Attachment

cc: Lynne Hewitt Engledow  
Belinda Nixon