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October 15, 2012

Honorable Julius Genachowski, Chairman  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 12th Street, SW  
Washington, DC 20554

Re: In the Matter of: Nomination for Universal Service Administrative Company Board of Directors,  
CC Docket Nos. 97-21 and 96-45

Dear Chairman Genachowski:

On behalf of more than 14,500 education administrators at the school, school district and county office level, the Association of California School Administrators (ACSA) would like to urge you to appoint Mr. Russell Selken to fill the vacancy on the Board of Directors of the Universal Service Administrative Company for the representative of schools. Mr. Selken serves as California's E-Rate Coordinator and has been involved with E-rate since its inception. Mr. Selken trains and provides E-rate support to schools and libraries throughout California with over 1,000 school districts serving more than 6 million students. In his role as the E-rate support person for the State, Mr. Selken delivers statewide trainings and assists all California applicants equally with their E-rate questions.

Mr. Selken currently serves as the Chair of the State Consortium Group to facilitate statewide applicants to discuss issues, share best practices and collaborate on program issues. He has also served as Chair of the California Public Utilities Commission Administrative Committee for more than six years. This body works on telecommunication discounts for schools and libraries. In addition, Mr. Selken is a statewide leader on behalf of California's High Speed Network education vision and master plan.

Due to his rich and in-depth expertise, his fair and unbiased representation, his ability to work with diverse stakeholders and lead others, ACSA believes Mr. Selken will contribute to the national effort to ensure E-rate is an effective program for all states. Mr. Selken comes with our highest recommendation and we urge his appointment to the Board of Directors of the Universal Service Administrative Company.

If you should have any questions regarding our support for Mr. Russell Selken, please contact our staff person Sherry Skelly Griffith at (916) 955-1699 or by email at [sgriffith@acsa.org](mailto:sgriffith@acsa.org).

Sincerely,

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