



January 17, 2013

The Honorable Julius Genachowski
Chairman
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, S.W.
Washington, DC 20554

Re: *Federal-State Joint Board on Separations* (FCC CC Docket 80-286)

Dear Chairman Genachowski:

As you know, the Separations Joint Board was created to advise the FCC on the allocation of costs between the federal and State jurisdictions. The Joint Board consists of three FCC commissioners and four State commissioners. One vacancy has arisen on this Joint Board as a result of the written resignation from the board of Commissioner Phil Montgomery. In response, the Honorable Phil Jones, President of the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners (NARUC), with the concurrence of NARUC's Board of Directors, pursuant to Sections 410(c) [47 U.S.C., Sec. 410(c)], hereby nominates the following State commissioner to serve as a member of this Joint Board filling Commissioner Montgomery's vacancy:

The Honorable Betsy Wergin
COMMISSIONER [BIO ATTACHED]
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Please do not hesitate to contact me at 202.898.2207 or jramsay@naruc.org if you have any questions about this nomination.

Sincerely,

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Attachment

cc: *The Honorable John Burke, State Chair, Separations Joint Board*
Zachary Katz, FCC Chief of Staff
Angela Kronenberg, Legal Advisor to Commissioner Clyburn
Priscilla Delgado Argeris, Legal Advisor to Commissioner Rosenworcel
Michael Steffen, Legal Advisor to the Chairman
Julie Veach, Wireline Competition Bureau Chief



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Commissioner Wergin completed courses in Business, Art and Psychology at St. Cloud State College, Northwestern College and Minnesota Technical Schools. She also completed the Rapport Leadership International Training.

Betsy and her husband Richard live in rural Princeton and have two adult children. At the age of 20, Betsy purchased her first business. After selling the business, she worked as a Cost Accountant for a manufacturing company and then as a benefits and payroll manager. She also worked as an assistant to the Chief Financial Officer for a group of nursing homes. She opened, owned and operated a second retail business which steered her into speaking and teaching at seminars on a national level. She managed this business for over 20 years. Betsy was a foster parent to teenagers for 17 years.

Commissioner Wergin is a member of the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners (NARUC) Board of Directors. She currently serves as Chair of the NARUC Committee on Consumer Affairs and is an active member of the NARUC Committee on Telecommunications, the Washington Action Committee and is on the Executive Committee for the Critical Consumer Issues Forum. Her past experience also includes membership on the NARUC Committee on Critical Infrastructure and the Committee on International Relations.

Betsy currently serves on the Board of Directors for Northland Regional Hospital, Fairview Hospitals Inc., and Elim Care Inc. She served as a Minnesota State Senator from 2003 to 2008, was a Sherburne County Commissioner from 1995 to 2002 and served as Township Officer from 1987 to 1994. Betsy was appointed Commissioner August 1, 2008 and was reappointed December 16, 2009.

Her term expires January 4, 2016.