



March 18, 2013

Ms. Marlene Dortch  
Secretary  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 12<sup>th</sup> Street, S.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20554

Re: Connect America Fund, WC Docket No. 10-90; High-Cost Universal  
Service Support, WC Docket No. 05-337

Dear Ms. Dortch:

This is to inform you that on Thursday, March 14, 2013, Jon Banks and Robert Mayer with USTelecom, Hank Hultquist with AT&T, Maggie McCready with Verizon, Malena Barzilai with Windstream, and Melissa Newman with CenturyLink met with FCC staff in connection with the proceedings identified above. The FCC participants included Carol Matthey, Amy Bender, Trent Harkrader, and Steven Rosenberg.

We discussed the activities that are underway and necessary for the FCC to implement Phase II of the Connect America Fund. The discussion involved the sequencing of activities necessary to implement Connect America Fund Phase II. We also discussed appropriate usage allowances and challenge process validation.

Pursuant to Commission rules, please include a copy of this notice in each of the above-identified proceedings.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Robert L. Mayer".

Robert Mayer  
Vice President  
Industry and State Affairs

cc: Carol Matthey  
Amy Bender  
Trent Harkrader  
Steven Rosenberg