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National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners

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Marlene H. Dortch
Office of the Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 – 12th Street, S.W. Room TW-A325
Washington, D.C. 20554.

RE: *In the Matter of Nomination for Universal Service Administrative Company Board of Directors, CC Docket Nos. 97-21 and 96-45 (DA 13-374).*

NARUC Nomination of the Honorable Ronald A. Brisé to the “State Representative” Vacancy on the USAC Board

Dear Secretary Dortch,

On March 13, 2013, the Federal Communications Commission released a Public Notice announcing they are seeking nominations the Universal Service Administrative Company Board (USAC). Last year, NARUC’s representative to the USAC, South Carolina Commissioner Randy Mitchell, resigned early from that post. To serve out the rest of Commissioner Mitchell’s term, NARUC’s President nominated Florida Commissioner Ronald A. Brisé.

New nominations are due, according to the notice, today March 26, 2013. To fill NARUC’s slot on the board, in accordance with Section 25 of NARUC’s *Policy Governing Committees and Representatives*, NARUC’s current President, Washington State Commissioner Phil Jones, re-nominates **FLORIDA COMMISSIONER RONALD A. BRISÉ** as the “[r]epresentative for state telecommunications regulators.”

The notice instructs those submitting nominations to provide professional and biographical information, such as a resume or professional biography on our proposed nominee. Commissioner Brisé’s professional biography is attached to this letter.

Also consistent with the notice’s instructions, we are filing this document electronically with the secretary and e-mailing: Erica Myers (Erica.Myers@fcc.gov) and Charles Tyler (Charles.Tyler@fcc.gov), Telecommunications Access Policy Division, Wireline Competition Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, 445 12th Street, S.W., Rooms 5-B432 & 5-B521, Washington, DC 20554, along with a copy to Zac Katz, FCC Chief of staff, Michael Steffen, Advisor to the Chairman, and Wireline Competition Bureau Chief Julie Veach.

If you have any questions about this nomination, please do not hesitate to call me at 202.898.2207 or jramsay@naruc.org.

Respectfully Submitted

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Ronald A. Brisé was appointed to the Florida Public Service Commission by Governor Charlie Crist in July 2010 and was reappointed by Governor Rick Scott for a term through January 2014. In December 2011, he was elected to Chair the Commission through January 1, 2014.

Chairman Brisé is a member of the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners (NARUC) and serves on the Committee on Telecommunications, the Committee on International Relations, and the Subcommittee on Utility Market Access. Chairman Brisé also serves on the Federal Communications Commission's Intergovernmental Advisory Committee. Before this appointment, he served the citizens of North East Miami-Dade (District 108) in the Florida House of Representatives for four years.

As a Representative, Chairman Brisé was named Democratic Whip from 2006 to 2008 and served as Vice Chairman of the Florida Conference of Black State Legislators. He served on the Education & Economic Development Appropriations, General Government & Health Care Appropriations, and Select Strategic & Economic Planning Councils, was the Ranking Member on the State & Community Colleges and Workforce Appropriation Committee and served on the State Universities & Private Colleges Policy Committee. He also served on the Transportation & Economic Development Appropriations and the Energy & Utilities Policy Committees. Most notably as a legislator, Chairman Brisé sponsored successful legislation to expand broadband deployment throughout the State of Florida making it possible for underserved areas to have access to broadband technology. He was also successful in passing legislation to provide relief from garnishment to heads of families by increasing the amount of retainable earnings before garnishment.

Recently, Chairman Brisé was the Chief Executive Officer of Strategic Partner Consulting, LLC, which provides leadership and development strategies for corporate clients. Until 2008, Chairman Brisé was also the Chief Operating Officer for IPIP Corporation, a VoIP telecommunications carrier. Prior to this, he was the Science Department Chairperson at Miami Union Academy from 2000 to 2005 and was also the Academy's Director of Development, Marketing, and Recruitment from 2003 to 2005.

Chairman Brisé served as a member of the North Miami Planning Commission and is a past president of the Albert C. Pierre Community Center. He is a member of the NAACP and a member on the boards of the Haitian-American Scholarship Fund and Miami Union Academy.

Chairman Brisé received a bachelor's degree in biology education from Oakwood University in Huntsville, Alabama and received MBA degrees in management and marketing from American Intercontinental University in Illinois. He and his wife, JoAn, have a son and a daughter, Ronald Brisé II and Elizabeth Christiane Brisé, and together are faithful members of Tabernacle Seventh-day Adventist Church.