



March 27, 2013

Marlene H. Dortch
Federal Communications Commission
Office of the Secretary
445 12th Street, SW
Room TW-A325
Washington, DC 20554

Re: Dockets 96-45 and 97-21: USAC 2012 Annual Report to the FCC and Congress

Dear Ms. Dortch:

USAC is happy to provide you with a copy of our 2012 Annual Report. As you know, USAC is the independent, not-for-profit corporation designated by the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) as the administrator of the federal universal service fund. USAC collects universal service contributions from telecommunications carriers and administers the four universal service programs – High Cost, Lifeline, Rural Health Care, and Schools and Libraries.

USAC submits its annual report to the FCC and Congress in accordance with 47 C.F.R. 54.702(g), which requires USAC to report on its operations, activities, and accomplishments for the prior year, including information about participation in each of the universal service programs and administrative action intended to ensure program integrity. Pursuant to FCC rules, USAC has consulted with FCC staff to determine the scope and content of the annual report.

You can also find the report online at this URL:

<http://www.usac.org/about/tools/publications/annual-reports/>.

If you have any questions or comments, please feel free to contact me (sbarash@usac.org; 202-776-0200) or USAC Director of External Relations Eric Iversen (eiversen@usac.org; 202-263-1616).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "D. Scott Barash".

D. Scott Barash
Acting Chief Executive Officer

Enclosure