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Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 Twelfth Street S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20554

Re: Connect America Fund, High-Cost Universal Service Support,
WC Docket Nos. 10-90, 05-337

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On Monday, July 29, 2013, Anand Vadapalli, Leonard Steinberg and Lisa Phillips of Alaska Communications Systems Group, Inc. ("ACS") met with Commissioner Ajit Pai, Nick Degani, Legal Advisor to Commissioner Pai, Andrea Sanders, from the office of Senator Mark Begich, and Peter Lewis, from the office of Senator Lisa Murkowski.

At the meeting, we discussed some of the challenges ACS faces in providing service in Alaska, the nation's largest and most sparsely populated state, given its remote location, harsh climate, difficult geology and terrain. We discussed the importance of the Commission's high cost support mechanisms to enable ACS, not only to deploy broadband, but also to sustain voice service, particularly in remote rural and bush locations that ACS serves as an incumbent local exchange carrier. We also discussed the Commission's CAF Phase I mechanism, and the adjustments to the Commission's CAF Phase II framework that ACS requested in its July 9, 2013 *ex parte* letter filed in the above-referenced proceedings.

The attached presentation was distributed at the meeting and framed the discussion.

Please direct any questions regarding this matter to me.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads 'Lisa Phillips'.

Lisa Phillips
Manager, Regulatory Affairs

cc: Nick Degani