



August 20, 2012

VIA ELECTRONIC SUBMISSION

Ms. Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, S.W. Washington, D.C. 20554

Re: Connect America Fund, WC Docket No. 10-90

Dear Ms. Dortch:

The Virgin Islands Telephone Corp. d/b/a Innovative Telephone ("VITELCO") respectfully submits this letter in response to the Commission's *Phase I Order* in the above-referenced proceeding.¹

VITELCO is committed to deploying broadband in the United States Virgin Islands ("USVI") and believes that the incremental support the Commission has made available under the Connect America Fund Phase I ("CAF Phase I") would assist in that effort. However, VITELCO is unable at present to provide the requisite certifications necessary to take advantage of these funds. Accordingly, VITELCO must decline to accept any of the incremental funding available to it.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Shawn O'Donnell
President and Chief Executive Officer

¹ *Connect America Fund*, WC Docket No. 10-90, Report and Order, FCC 13-73 (released May 22, 2013), modified, Order on Reconsideration, FCC 13-97 (released July 16, 2013).