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Chairman Genachowski
Federal Communications Commission
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In the Matter of: Nomination for Universal Service Administrative Company Board of Directors,
CC Docket Nos. 97-21 and 96-45

Dear Chairman Genachowski:

I, Pedro Rivera, Superintendent of The School District of Lancaster, write to express my strong support for the nomination of AASA Executive Director Daniel A. Domenech to the Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC) Board of Directors. Specifically, I support his nomination to the position currently held by Anne Bryant, pursuant to § 54.501.

Dr. Domenech's leadership at AASA—and AASA's proven track record as an excellent advocate for the E-Rate program—make me confident that he will be a strong addition to the USAC Board.

With more than 40 years of experience in public education, Dr. Domenech has extensive education and leadership experience, including first-hand experience of the critical role of telecommunications and connectivity in schools. Further, his direct link to public school systems provides a sense of continuity when it comes to representing school system-level thoughts and opinions, as he would fill the spot currently held by the NSBA.

In today's increasingly global and competitive world, a top notch education and the building of lifelong learning skills require access to education technology, and Dr. Domenech is acutely aware of the crucial role the E-Rate program plays in helping schools and libraries afford telecommunications connectivity.

I believe that Dr. Domenech's broad understanding of education, education leadership and education technology, coupled with a strong work ethic and deep commitment to expanding educational opportunities to the nation's students will add to the work of USAC as it moves forward. His nomination to the USAC board provides continuity and leadership, filling the chair currently held the National School Boards Association with the voice of another school system leader, that of the school administrator/superintendent.



For these reasons, I respectfully request your approval of Dr. Domenech's nomination to the USAC Board of directors, representing schools that are eligible to receive discounts.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,



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