

September 18, 2013

Ms. Marlene H. Dortch
Secretary
Federal Communication Commission
445 12th Street SW
Washington, DC 20554

Re: Notice of *Ex Parte* Communication, WC Docket No. 13-184

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On September 17, 2013 Steve Clemons Assistant Superintendent, Chief Information Officer San Diego County Office of Education, Richard Quinones Chief Technology/Media Advisor Los Angeles Unified School District and Russ Selken, Director of California K12 High Speed Network met with the Wireline Competition Bureau.

In attendance at our meeting: Kim Scardino, Wireline Competition Bureau (WCB), Lisa Hone (WCB), Michael Steffen, Office of Strategic Planning (OSP), Jonathan Chambers (OSP), Alec MacDonell (WCB), James Bachtell (WCB), Regina Brown (WCB), Travis Litman (WCB).

We also met in separate meetings at separate times with:

- Commissioner Ajit Pai and Nicholas Degani, WCB Legal Advisor.
- Commission Jessica Rosenworcel and Priscilla Delgado, Argeris Legal Advisor.

The purpose of the meetings was to discuss input on the Commission's July 23, 2013 Notice of Proposed Rulemaking WC Docket No. 13-184. E-rate is critically important to our support of student learning in our schools and we represent over two-million students. As the FCC looks to modernize the E-rate program we talked about our goals and needs for the future at our entities.

Los Angeles Unified School District shared their 1-to-1 initiative and the incredible opportunity this presents, and the importance of E-rate in funding their current and future bandwidth needs. There is high dependency on the bandwidth and classroom technology tools.

We noted that 1) the NPRM had only one comment regarding the EDU2011 Pilot and 2) twenty-first century learning takes place on traditional school campuses and at home with teaching via new methodologies (i.e. flipped classroom, project groups, etc.) and 3) dark and lit fiber eligibility can help with underserved areas and high-cost locations that still exist by increasing competition to help drive down telecommunication costs.

The meetings ended with general discussion regarding the need for additional funding to meet the growing demands on E-rate and that open pricing transparency helps drive down prices. Although there is the need for all the technologies on the eligible services list, telecommunications (data services) need to have the highest priority.

Respectfully submitted,