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

Re: Modernizing the E-Rate Program for Schools and Libraries, WC Docket No. 13-184

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On January 31, 2014, Evan Marwell, CEO of EducationSuperHighway and Jim Kohlenberger of JK Strategies met with Michael Steffen, Office of Managing Director; and Patrick Halley, Wireline Competition Bureau. In the meeting we reviewed the feedback we had received from education stakeholders in the E-rate program as it related to EducationSuperHighway's proposals to modernize, expand, and strengthen the successful E-rate program. We reviewed the key points from our initial and reply comments in the docket. Specifically, we discussed the feedback received on the following approaches to strengthening the E-rate and giving our students access to a whole new world of opportunity:

- 1) ***focusing the E-rate program*** on broadband connectivity and infrastructure and away from legacy technologies that are only capable of connecting at yesterday's dial-up speeds to ensure that we maximize the impact of the E-rate on learning;
- 2) ***providing an upgrade fund*** to minimize the time it takes to give every school and library the opportunity to connect to fiber and Wi-Fi to allow all schools to meet the connectivity goals experts say our kids need, while putting in place the scalable infrastructure needed for a generation;
- 3) ***increasing transparency and accountability*** to reduce costs and improve efficiency by: ensuring schools and libraries have the choice to take advantage of every affordable, scalable high speed option; and by collecting and releasing more data about existing network infrastructure, how funds are spent and what providers are charging for their E-rate services.

Kindly direct any questions regarding this matter to my attention.

Sincerely,

/s/ Evan Marwell
Evan Marwell
CEO

cc: Michael Steffen
Patrick Halley