Date: March 5\textsuperscript{th}, 2014

To: Federal Communications Commission

Re: Expression of Interest (Docket No. 10-90)

**Background**

Savage Communications, Inc. (SCI) is a privately held Multiple Systems Operator (MSO) currently serving nearly 30 rural communities throughout east central and northern Minnesota. Over the past 30 years SCI has invested millions of dollars building an advanced fiber broadband infrastructure and as a result we provide a wide array of services including Digital TV, HDTV, High-Speed Internet, Digital Telephone and Gigabit Business Ethernet service. The SCI fiber network connects all communities in its footprint to a fiber ring including Cologix interconnection and collocation facility in Minneapolis, the most connected building in Minnesota. Anchor institutions in the SCI footprint all have up to 10 Gig fiber circuits available at rates lower than the metro area. Our mission is to provide high quality digital video, high-speed Internet, and digital telephone services at competitive rates and back them up with superior 24/7-customer service.

**E-Rate Provider**

Yes

**USF Contributor**

Yes

**Eligible Telecommunications Carrier (ETC)**

No
**Service Area**
SCI is proposing triple play and business service to unserved census tracts/blocks adjacent to our footprint.

**Type of Build**
FTTH/RFOG (fiber-to-the-home/RF-over-glass)

**Type of Service**
- **Video** – (3) tiers of video service: Including HD
- **Internet** – (3) tiers of DOCSIS 3.0
- **Telephone** - features unlimited local and long distance calling, and all of the popular calling features such as: Voice Mail, Call Waiting, and Caller ID etc....
- **Business Service** – up to 10 gig fiber circuits

**Service Rates**
Consistent with what’s currently offered for triple play service and packages.

**CapX**
Project cost per home passed: $1,000

**Funding (One-time)**
- 50% Connect America Funding
- 50% Private Equity

Should you have any questions, please contact:

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