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**Via ECFS**

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

**Re: Notice of Ex Parte Presentation, Wireline Competition Bureau Seeks Focused  
Comment on E-Rate Modernization; WC Docket No. 13-184**

Dear Ms. Dortch:

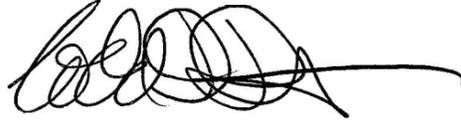
On June 18, 2014, Michael Rosenthal, Director of Legal and External Affairs of Southern Communications Services, Inc., d/b/a SouthernLINC Wireless ("SouthernLINC Wireless"), Sara Kuehnle, Dentons US LLP, and I met with Commissioner Michael O'Rielly and Amy Bender, Legal Advisor, Wireline, to discuss the points set forth in the attached presentation, including the likely impact of potential reforms to the E-rate program on rural schools. During the conversation, we emphasized the importance of maintaining technological neutrality and permitting individual schools and libraries to choose the type of technology that best serves their specific needs.

We also discussed the harm that eliminating support for voice services would have on schools and libraries that currently rely upon E-rate support to purchase bundles of wireless data and voice services. If support for voice services were eliminated, the application process for wireless services would become more complicated, and schools would face the burdens and costs of allocating support between supported and non-supported services within the bundle. The Commission's goals for E-rate reform will not be advanced by unnecessarily forcing schools to pay separately for wireless voice services that they otherwise would have received at no extra charge as part of a standard service bundle. Moreover, reforming the E-rate program in a way that makes it difficult for wireless services to compete would serve only to exacerbate the geographic and market conditions that make such support necessary in the first place.

Pursuant to Section 1.1206(b) of the Commission's rules, a copy of this letter and the attached presentation are being filed *via* ECFS for inclusion in the public record for the above-referenced proceeding. Please contact the undersigned if you have any questions or need additional information.

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Respectfully submitted,

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cc: Commissioner Michael O'Rielly  
Amy Bender