



May 6, 2019

Ex Parte Notice

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

RE: *Connect America Fund, WC Docket No. 10-90; Modernizing the FCC Form 477 Data Program, WC Docket No. 11-10*

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On Thursday, May 2, 2019, Shirley Bloomfield, Chief Executive Officer of NTCA-The Rural Broadband Association (“NTCA”), and the undersigned met with Commissioner Michael O’Rielly and his legal advisor, Arielle Roth. In the meeting, NTCA discussed the importance of sufficient and predictable universal service fund support, as well as the importance of more granular mapping and challenge procedures in ensuring that funds can be accurately targeted and will continue to be directed to where they are needed most to make the business case for investment and ongoing use throughout rural communities.

Thank you for your attention to this correspondence. Pursuant to Section 1.1206 of the Commission’s rules, a copy of this letter is being filed via ECFS.

Sincerely,

/s/ Michael R. Romano

Michael R. Romano
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cc: Commissioner Michael O’Rielly
Arielle Roth