



May 6, 2022

Ex Parte Notice

Ms. Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
45 L Street, N.E.
Washington, D.C., 20554

**RE: Affordable Connectivity Program,
WC Docket No. 21-450
Emergency Broadband Benefit Program,
WC Docket No. 20-445**

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On Thursday May 5, 2022, the undersigned on behalf of NTCA–The Rural Broadband Association (“NTCA”)¹ spoke with the following the Federal Communications Commission (“Commission”) staff: Rashann Duvall, Assistant Chief of the Wireline Competition Bureau’s Telecommunications Access Policy Division and Jessica Campbell, the Team Lead for the Commission’s Affordable Connectivity Program (“ACP”). The parties discussed issues raised in previous advocacy on the issue. *See, e.g., Ex Parte* Letter from Brian Ford, Vice President – Federal Regulatory, NTCA, to Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary, Commission, WC Docket Nos. 21-450, 20-445 (fil. May 4, 2022). NTCA reiterated its support for promoting program integrity through a usage requirement for ACP enrollees but also pointed to the substantial complexities faced by operators attempting to comply with the rule.

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/ Brian Ford

Brian Ford

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NTCA-The Rural Broadband Association

cc: Jessica Campbell
Rashann Duvall

¹ NTCA represents approximately 850 providers of high-quality voice and broadband services in the most rural parts of the United States. In addition to voice and broadband, many NTCA members provide wireless, video, and other advanced services in their communities.