

March 13, 2023

Ex Parte Notice

Ms. Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary Federal Communications Commission 45 L Street, NE Washington, DC 20554

RE: Connect America Fund, WC Docket No. 10-90; ETC Annual Reports and Certifications, WC Docket No. 14-58; Telecommunications Carriers Eligible to Receive Universal Service Support, WC Docket No. 09-197; Connect America Fund – Alaska Plan, WC Docket No. 16-271; Expanding Broadband Service Through the A-CAM Program, RM-11868

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On Thursday, March 9, 2023, Shirley Bloomfield, Chief Executive Officer of NTCA—The Rural Broadband Association ("NTCA"), discussed matters in the above-referenced proceedings with Commissioner Brendan Carr. Specifically, NTCA urged the Federal Communications Commission (the "Commission") to adopt updates and enhancements to the Alternative Connect America Model and the Connect America Fund-Broadband Loop Support and High-Cost Loop Support mechanisms consistent with prior proposals and advocacy. *See* Comments of NTCA, WC Docket No. 10-90, *et al.* (filed July 18, 2022); Reply Comments of NTCA, WC Docket No. 10-90, *et al.* (filed Aug. 1, 2022); *Ex Parte* Letters from Michael R. Romano, Executive Vice President, NTCA, to Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary, Commission, WC Docket No. 10-90, *et al.* (filed Oct. 14, 2022, Dec. 5, 2022, and March 8, 2023).

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 Romano
Michael Romano
Executive Vice President

cc: Brendan Carr