

June 20, 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 Friday, June 16, 2023, Shirley Bloomfield, Chief Executive Officer of NTCA-The Rural Broadband Association ("NTCA"), spoke with Priscilla Delgado Argeris and Elizabeth Cuttner from the office of Chairwoman Jessica Rosenworcel regarding the above-referenced proceedings.

During the conversation, consistent with recent advocacy, NTCA urged the Federal Communications Commission (the "Commission") to: (1) strike a balance between promoting new deployment and achieving sustainability and affordability as part of its more comprehensive mission of universal service; and (2) ensure that any offers of updated support would not harm the ability of those that do not elect them to carry out this universal service mission as well in the areas they serve. See Ex Parte Letter from Michael R. Romano, Executive Vice President, NTCA, to Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary, Commission, WC Docket No. 10-90, et al. (filed June 15, 2023); Ex Parte Letter from Michael R. Romano, Executive Vice President, NTCA, to Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary, Commission, WC Docket No. 10-90, et al. (filed May 26, 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: Priscilla Delgado Argeris Elizabeth Cuttner