

May 25, 2017

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

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On Tuesday, May 23, 2017, the undersigned, on behalf of NTCA–The Rural Broadband Association ("NTCA"), met with Amy Bender, legal advisor to Commissioner Michael O'Rielly, and Claude Aiken, legal advisor to Commissioner Mignon Clyburn.

During the discussion, NTCA addressed positions regarding operating expense cap revisions, imputation of Access Recovery Charges, competitive overlap policy implementation, and expenses recoverable via regulated cost recovery mechanisms consistent with recent prior advocacy on these specific issues. *See Ex Parte* Letters from Michael R. Romano, Sr. Vice President, NTCA, to Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary, Federal Communications Commission (the "Commission"), WC Docket No. 10-90 (filed May 3, 2017, May 9, 2017, and May 11, 2017).

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,

<u>/s/ Michael R. Romano</u> Michael R. Romano Senior Vice President – Industry Affairs & Business Development

cc: Amy Bender Claude Aiken