



September 26, 2007

Ms. Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, SW
Washington, DC 20554

RE: Ex Parte Notice in WC Docket No. 05-195 and CC Docket No. 02-6

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On September 14, 2007, the State E-rate Coordinators' Alliance (SECA) met with members of the Wireline Competition Bureau, Telecommunications Access Policy Division, to discuss the following E-rate issues which are relevant to the pending proceedings in the above-referenced dockets. The individuals in attendance were Gary Rawson, Julie Tritt Schell, Julia Benincosa, Jerome Browning, DeLilah Collins, Robert Boucher, Tom Bayersdorfer, George McDonald, Patricia Dalton, Sandra Wilkie, Cathey George, Becky Rains, Wilma Coombs, Daniel Farslow, Jeannene Hurley, Vicki Allen, Valerie Oliver, Pat McMenantim, Harry Theriot, Susan Tenkoff, SuAnn Witt, Charlie Jackson, Russ Selken, Richard Reedy, Tom Rolfes, Ed Chase, Brett Himsworth and Greg Weisiger. The FCC representatives in attendance were Jeremy Marcus, Gina Spage, Anita Cheng, Cara Voth and Alexander Minard.

The following topics were discussed during the meeting:

- The timing of opening the Form 471 online application relative to the timing of opening the Form 471 filing window, to maximize the amount of time that applicants have to prepare their Form 471 applications and submit those applications as early as possible once the Form 471 filing window opens. Applicants' filing of Form 471 applications earlier during the 471 filing window will help to provide USAC an opportunity to issue more funding commitment decisions letters sooner, in the spring of 2008.
- Procedural clarification of which General Resolution Order appeal decisions apply to the specific parties to the appeal and which decisions apply prospectively to all similarly situated applicants.
- Reiteration of SECA's position in its Eligible Services List Comments in support of allowing applicants to file a Form 471 for either telecommunications or Internet access service so long as the applicant has an establishing Form 470 which was posted for either category of service.
- Procedural clarification of status of Comprehensive Reform NPRM (WC Docket No. 05-195).
- Request for FCC to issue annual order prior to when the current year's Form 471 filing window closes, which announces any rollover of funds from prior funding years, to enable applicants to better manage and plan their applications for Internal Connections funding.
- Acknowledgment of the recently filed proposal submitted by large local exchange companies to streamline the E-rate program.

Respectfully submitted,

Gary Rawson, Chair
State E-rate Coordinators' Alliance

cc: Jeremy Marcus, Gina Spade, Anita Cheng, Cara Voth, Alex Minard