



October 28, 2018

The Honorable Ajit Pai, Chairman  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 12th Street, SW  
Washington, DC 20554

*RE: In the Matter of: Nomination for Universal Service Administrative Company Board of Directors, CC Docket Nos. 97-21 and 96-45*

Dear Chairman Pai:

The State E-rate Coordinators' Alliance (SECA) is pleased to support the American Library Association's (ALA) nomination of Amber Gregory to serve as the library representative on the Universal Service Administrative Company's (USAC) Board of Directors. Ms. Gregory is the current Manager of E-Rate Services at the Arkansas State Library, a position she has held since 2010. In this position, Amber conducts E-rate workshops and provides a variety of E-rate support activities. For example, she offers direct, "hands-on" assistance to library staff with all facets of the E-rate application process and the program's invoicing and other post-commitment processes. This assistance is critically important to ensure that the state's public libraries—especially those in smaller, rural communities—correctly follow the many E-rate rules and ultimately receive their E-rate funding.

Ms. Gregory is also active at the national level in E-rate activities and currently chairs the American Library Association's E-Rate Task Force. In her work on the Task Force Amber helps develop ALA's position on various E-rate issues and assists the association in developing responses to the Commission's public notices on the program. In addition, she is highly respected by other state library E-rate coordinators for her leadership and E-rate expertise.

We are certain that Ms. Gregory's experience and knowledge will be a great asset to the USAC board and thus SECA supports her appointment to the USAC Board.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Debra M. Kriete".

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