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Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 12<sup>th</sup> Street, SW  
Washington, DC 20554

RE: CC Docket No. 02-6 and GN Docket No. 09-51

Dear Secretary Dortch:

On July 28, 2010, Marijke Visser, policy analyst, American Library Association (ALA) and Linda Schatz, consultant to ALA and president, EdTech Strategies, LLC, met with Gina Spade, James Bachtell, Regina Brown, Dana Bradford, and Rebekah Bina of the FCC Wireline Competition Bureau.

Meeting participants discussed the comments filed by ALA in response to the Notice of Proposed Rulemaking in the matter of Schools and Libraries Universal Support Mechanism, Docket No. 02-6 and the National Broadband Plan Notice of Inquiry, Docket No. 09-51. In particular, participants discussed ALA's proposal to move all E-rate funding requests to the rural discount percentage associated with the relevant NSLP eligibility category rather than make a discount distinction between urban and rural locations as is currently the case. Other topics included ALA's request to clarify a number of issues related to the proposal on leased dark fiber, raising the program cap, the need for consistency in terminology and rule language, and timing related to the implementation of any changes. Additionally, ALA presented the meeting attendees with documentation related to costs associated with moving all E-rate applicants to the rural discount.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Marijke Visser

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Marijke Visser", is written over a light blue horizontal line.

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