

October 9, 2006

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

Re: Notice of Ex Parte Meetings in the Matter of the E-rate Program  
CC Docket No. 02-06

Dear Ms. Dortch,

On October 4, 2006, the following individuals visited the FCC for meetings on the E-rate in relation to libraries: Lynne Bradley, Director, American Library Association (ALA) Office of Government Relations; Carrie Lowe, Internet Policy Specialist, ALA Office for Information Technology Policy; and Linda Schatz, Consultant to ALA. This group met with Tom Navin, Gina Spade, Jeremy Marcus, and Tom Buckley from the Wireline Competition Bureau.

The focus of these meetings was the ALA comments filed in response to the Notice of Proposed Rulemaking and Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking filed with the FCC on October 18, 2005. We reiterated our support for the simplification proposed in these comments and shared some examples from the field of why these changes are needed.

Sincerely,

Emily Sheketoff  
Executive Director, ALA Washington Office