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The Wireline Competition Bureau Seeks Nominations for Six Board Member Positions on The Universal Service Administrative Company Board of Directors

CC Docket Nos. 96-45, 97-21

Nominations due by: December 1, 2008

Pursuant to section 54.703(c) of the Commission's rules,¹ the Wireline Competition Bureau (Bureau) seeks nominations for the following board member positions on the Board of Directors of the Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC):

- Representative for schools that are eligible to receive discounts pursuant to section 54.501 of the Commission's rules (position currently held by Brian L. Talbott)
- Representative for interexchange carriers with annual operating revenues of \$3 billion or less (position currently held by James Jackson)
- Representative for rural health care providers that are eligible to receive supported services pursuant to section 54.601 of the Commission's rules (position currently held by Dr. Peter Kragel)
- Representative for competitive local exchange carriers (position currently held by Joseph Gillan)
- Representative for low-income consumers (position currently held by Joycelyn Tate)
- Representative for incumbent local exchange carriers (other than Bell Operating Companies) with annual reporting revenues of \$40 million or less (position currently held by Jason B. Williams)

The terms of the above board members are scheduled to expire on December 31, 2008.

On behalf of the Commission, the Bureau wishes to thank each of the board members listed above for their diligent efforts and dedicated service on the USAC board.

Pursuant to section 54.703(c)(1) of the Commission's rules, only members of the industry or non-industry group that a board member will represent may submit a nomination for that position (e.g., only

¹ 47 C.F.R. § 54.703(c).

rural health care providers eligible to receive supported services pursuant to section 54.601 of the Commission's rules may submit nominations for the board member who will represent rural health care providers).² In order to expedite the appointment process, members of the relevant industry or non-industry group are encouraged to nominate a single candidate who possesses substantial experience in, and knowledge of, telecommunications issues. If members of the relevant industry or non-industry group fail to reach consensus on a candidate to serve on the board, or fail to submit a nomination for the particular board member seat, the Chairman of the Federal Communications Commission will select an individual from that industry or non-industry group to serve on the Board.

Pursuant to section 54.703(c)(2) of the Commission's rules, each nomination must be captioned: **"In the Matter of: Nomination for Universal Service Administrative Company Board of Directors, CC Docket Nos. 97-21 and 96-45."**³ An original and four copies of each nomination must be filed, in accordance with Part 1 of the Commission's rules, with the Commission's Secretary, Marlene H. Dortch, Office of the Secretary, Federal Communications Commission, 445 12th Street, S.W., Room TW-A325, Washington, DC 20554. In addition, two copies of each nomination should be submitted to Antoinette Stevens, Telecommunications Access Policy Division, Wireline Competition Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, 445 12th Street, S.W., Room 5-B521, Washington, DC 20554. Each nomination should specify the position on the Board of Directors for which such nomination is submitted and should be accompanied by the nominee's professional and biographical information, such as a résumé or professional biography. Nominations received prior to the release of this public notice will be considered and do not need to be resubmitted.

All nominations must be filed with the Office of the Secretary by December 1, 2008.

Filings can be sent by hand or messenger delivery, by commercial overnight courier, or by first-class or overnight U.S. Postal Service mail (although we continue to experience delays in receiving U.S. Postal Service mail). The Commission's contractor will receive hand-delivered or messenger-delivered paper filings for the Commission's Secretary at 236 Massachusetts Avenue, N.E., Suite 110, Washington, DC 20002. The filing hours at this location are 8:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. All hand deliveries must be held together with rubber bands or fasteners. Any envelopes must be disposed of before entering the building. Commercial overnight mail (other than U.S. Postal Service Express Mail and Priority Mail) must be sent to 9300 East Hampton Drive, Capitol Heights, MD 20743. U.S. Postal Service first-class mail, Express Mail, and Priority Mail should be addressed to 445 12th Street, S.W., Washington, DC 20554.

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² 47 C.F.R. § 54.703(c)(1).

³ 47 C.F.R. § 54.703(c)(2).

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