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CHAIRMAN PAI NAMES SIX MEMBERS TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE UNIVERSAL SERVICE ADMINISTRATIVE COMPANY

CC Docket Nos. 96-45, 97-21

Chairman Ajit Pai hereby appoints six members to the Board of Directors of the Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC) pursuant to section 54.703(c)(3) of the Commission's rules. Each appointee was nominated in response to the September 13, 2017 Public Notice soliciting nominations for the Board positions listed below.¹

Chairman Pai appoints the following individuals to the USAC Board of Directors:

- Representative for schools that are eligible for discounts under to section 54.501 of the Commission's rules: Joan H. Wade, Ed.D., Executive Director, Association of Educational Service Agencies;
- Representative for low-income consumers: Ellis Jacobs, Senior Attorney, Advocates for Basic Legal Equality, Inc.;
- Representative for competitive local exchange carriers: Joseph Gillan, Consultant, Gillan Associates;
- Representative for rural health care providers that are eligible to receive supported services pursuant to section 54.601: Katharine Hsu Wibberly, Ph.D., Executive Director, Mid-Atlantic Telehealth Resource Center;
- Representative for incumbent local exchange carriers (non-Bell Operating Companies) with \$40 million or less in annual revenues: Geoffrey A. Feiss, General Manager, Montana Telecommunications Association; and
- Representative for interexchange carriers with annual operating revenues of \$3 billion or less: Atilla Tinic, Senior Vice President, Enterprise Business Support Systems and International IT, CenturyLink.

The Bureau reminds interested parties that the USAC Board will hold its next meeting on January 25, 29, and 30, 2018, at USAC's Washington, DC office (700 12th Street NW, Suite 900, Washington, DC 20005).² All Board of Directors quarterly meetings are open to the public.³ For further information, please contact Christian Hoefly (christian.hoefly@fcc.gov) of the Wireline Competition Bureau, Office of the Bureau Chief, (202) 418-3607.

¹ WCB Seeks Nominations for Six Board Member Positions on the Universal Service Administrative Company Board of Directors, CC Docket Nos. 96-45, 97-21, Public Notice, 32 FCC Rcd 6947 (WCB 2016).

² Meeting Schedules – USAC Governance – About USAC, http://www.usac.org/about/about/leadership/quarterly-schedule.aspx (last visited Dec. 1, 2017).

³ See 47 C.F.R. § 54.703(e).