

**The Uniendo a Puerto Rico Fund and the Connect USVI Fund
WC Docket No. 18-143**

Illustrative Form of Letter of Credit

**[Subject to Issuing Bank Requirements]
No. _____**

[Name and Address of Issuing Bank]

[Date of Issuance]

[AMOUNT]

[EXPIRATION DATE]

BENEFICIARY
[USAC]

[Address]

LETTER OF CREDIT PROVIDER
[Winning Bidder Name]

[Address]

Ladies and Gentlemen:

We hereby establish, at the request and for the account of [Winning Applicant], in your favor, as required under the Report and Order, adopted on [June XX, 2019], issued by the Federal Communications Commission (“FCC”) in the matter of [Connect America Fund, WC Docket 10-90, The Uniendo a Puerto Rico Fund and the Connect USVI Fund, WC Docket 18-143, and ETC Annual Reports and Certifications, WC Docket No. 14-58] (the “Order”), our Irrevocable Standby Letter of Credit No. _____, in the amount of [State amount of Letter of Credit in words and figures. NOTE: The amount of the Letter of Credit shall increase/additional letter(s) of credit shall be issued as additional funds are disbursed pursuant to the terms of the Order], expiring at the close of banking business at our office described in the following paragraph, on [the date which is ___ years from the date of issuance/ or the date which is one year from the date of issuance, provided the Issuing Bank includes an evergreen clause that provides for automatic renewal unless the Issuing Bank gives notice of non-renewal to USAC by a nationally recognized overnight delivery service, with a copy to the FCC, at least sixty days but not more than 90 days prior to the expiry thereof], or such earlier date as the Letter of Credit is terminated by [USAC] (the “Expiration Date”). Capitalized terms used herein but not defined herein shall have the meanings accorded such terms in the Order.

Funds under this Letter of Credit are available to you against your draft in the form attached hereto as Annex A, drawn on our office described below, and referring thereon to the number of this Letter of Credit, accompanied by your written and completed certificate signed by you substantially in the form of

Annex B attached hereto. Such draft and certificates shall be dated the date of presentation or an earlier date, which presentation shall be made at our office located at [BANK ADDRESS] and shall be effected either by personal delivery or delivery by a nationally recognized overnight delivery service. We hereby commit and agree to accept such presentation at such office, and if such presentation of documents appears on its face to comply with the terms and conditions of this Letter of Credit, on or prior to the Expiration Date, we will honor the same not later than the first banking day after presentation thereof in accordance with your payment instructions. Payment under this Letter of Credit shall be made by [check/wire transfer of Federal Reserve Bank of New York funds] to the payee and for the account you designate, in accordance with the instructions set forth in a draft presented in connection with a draw under this Letter of Credit.

Partial drawings are not permitted under this Letter of Credit. This Letter of Credit is not transferable or assignable in whole or in part.

This Letter of Credit shall be canceled and terminated upon receipt by us of the [USAC's] certificate purportedly signed by two authorized representatives of [USAC] in the form attached as Annex C.

This Letter of Credit sets forth in full the undertaking of the Issuer, and such undertaking shall not in any way be modified, amended, amplified or limited by reference to any document, instrument or agreement referred to herein, except only the certificates and the drafts referred to herein and the ISP (as defined below); and any such reference shall not be deemed to incorporate herein by reference any document, instrument or agreement except for such certificates and such drafts and the ISP.

This Letter of Credit shall be subject to, governed by, and construed in accordance with, the International Standby Practices 1998, International Chamber of Commerce Publication No. 590 (the "ISP"), which is incorporated into the text of this Letter of Credit by this reference, and, to the extent not inconsistent therewith, the laws of the State of New York, including the Uniform Commercial Code as in effect in the State of New York. Communications with respect to this Letter of Credit shall be addressed to us at our address set forth below, specifically referring to the number of this Letter of Credit.

[NAME OF BANK]

[BANK SIGNATURE]

ANNEX A

Form of Draft

To: [Issuing Bank]

DRAWN ON LETTER OF CREDIT No: _____

AT SIGHT

PAY TO THE ORDER OF [USAC] BY [CHECK/WIRE TRANSFER OF FEDERAL
RESERVE BANK OF NEW YORK]

FUNDS TO: _____

Account (_____)

AS [UNIENDO A PUERTO RICO FUND OR CONNECT USVI FUND
REPAYMENT]

[AMOUNT IN WORDS] DOLLARS AND NO/CENTS

[\$AMOUNT IN NUMBERS]

Universal Service Administrative Company

By: _____

Name:

Title:

ANNEX B

Draw Certificate

The undersigned hereby certifies to [Name of Bank] (the "Bank"), with reference to (a) Irrevocable Standby Letter of Credit No. [Number] (the "Letter of Credit") issued by the Bank in favor of the Universal Service Administrative Company ("USAC") and (b) [paragraph ___] of the Report and Order, adopted on [June XX, 20__19], issued by the Federal Communications Commission in the matter of [Connect America Fund, WC Docket 10-90, The Uniendo a Puerto Rico Fund and the Connect USVI Fund, WC Docket 18-143, and ETC Annual Reports and Certifications, WC Docket No. 14-58] (the "Order"), pursuant to which [Name of Winning Bidder] (the "LC Provider") has provided the Letter of Credit (all capitalized terms used herein but not defined herein having the meaning stated in the Order), that:

[The [Name of Winning Applicant] has [describe the event that triggers the draw], and is evidenced by a letter signed by the Chief of the [Wireline Competition Bureau] or [his/her] designee, dated __, 20__, a true copy of which is attached hereto.] Accordingly, a draw of the entire amount of the Letter of Credit No. _____ is authorized.]

OR

[USAC certifies that given notice of non-renewal of Letter of Credit No. _____ and failure of the account party to obtain a satisfactory replacement thereof, pursuant to the Order, USAC is entitled to receive payment of \$_____ representing the entire amount of Letter of Credit No. _____.]

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has executed this certificate as of [specify time of day] on the ___ day of _____, 20__.

Universal Service Administrative Company

By: _____

Name:

Title:

ANNEX C

Certificate Regarding Termination of Letter of Credit

The undersigned hereby certifies to [Name of Bank] (the "Bank"), with reference to (a) Irrevocable Standby Letter of Credit No. [Number] (the "Letter of Credit") issued by the Bank in favor of the Universal Service Administrative Company ("USAC"), and (b) paragraph [] of the Report and Order adopted on [June XX, 2019], issued by the Federal Communications Commission ("FCC") in the matter of [Connect America Fund, WC Docket 10-90, The Uniendo a Puerto Rico Fund and the Connect USVI Fund, WC Docket 18-143, and ETC Annual Reports and Certifications, WC Docket No. 14-58] (the "Order"), (all capitalized terms used herein but not defined herein having the meaning stated or described in the Order), that:

- (1) [include one of the following clauses, as applicable]
 - (a) The Order has been fulfilled in accordance with the provisions thereof; or
 - (b) [LC Provider/Winning Bidder] has provided a replacement letter of credit satisfactory to the FCC.

- (2) By reason of the event or circumstance described in paragraph (1) of this certificate and effective upon the receipt by the Bank of this certificate (countersigned as set forth below), the Letter of Credit is terminated.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has executed this certificate as of the ____ day of _____, 20__.

Universal Service Administrative Company

By: _____
Name:
Title:

By: _____
Name:
Title:

COUNTERSIGNED:

Federal Communications Commission

By: _____
Name:
Its Authorized Signatory