**DA 20-258**

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**NOTICE OF PRESENTATIONS IN THE MATTER OF RURAL DIGITAL OPPORTUNITY FUND (WC DOCKET NO. 19-126); CONNECT AMERICA FUND (WC DOCKET NO. 10-90)**

Between January 24 and February 5, 2020, the Commission received several letters commenting on the draft Report and Order in the above-titled proceedings considered at the January 30 Commission Open Meeting.  These letters are listed in the attached appendix.  Such presentations are ordinarily prohibited during the Sunshine Period (47 CFR § 1.1203), which begins the day after an item is listed in a Sunshine Agenda notice for consideration at a Commission meeting and closes with release of the Commission’s decision.  The presentations listed below addressed the merits of the above-titled proceedings, which were included on the Commission’s Sunshine Agenda by Public Notice released January 23, 2020. The Commission released a Report and Order on February 7, 2020, which ended the Sunshine Period. *Rural Digital Opportunity Fund; Connect America Fund,* WC Docket Nos. 19-126; and 10-90, Report and Order, FCC 20-5 (released Feb. 7, 2020).

We remind interested members of the public of the importance of adhering to the Commission’s Sunshine rules in order to provide the Commission with a period of deliberation and repose in advance of an open meeting. Under the unique circumstances presented here, however, where several state governors and agencies and other groups representing significant stakeholders filed within the Sunshine period, we find it is in the public interest to include these letters in the record to give the public access to the views expressed therein.  *See* 47 CFR § 1.1200(a).  Accordingly, we will place these letters in the record of these proceedings and provide that they appear in the Commission’s Electronic Comment Filing System (ECFS) at <https://www.fcc.gov/ecfs/>. We place the below parties and similarly situated parties on notice that we may not make the same determination in the future.

Action by the Office of General Counsel, Administrative Law Division

**APPENDIX**

**Filer Date Received**

North Dakota Governor Doug Burgum January 24, 2020

Ohio Chamber of Commerce January 27, 2020

NCTech Association January 28, 2020

Pennsylvania Telephone Association January 28, 2020

PA Chamber of Business and Industry January 28, 2020

New Mexico Governor Michelle Lujan Grisham January 29, 2020

North Carolina Department of Information Technology January 29, 2020

Alabama Governor Kay Ivey January 29, 2020

Office of the Governor, State of Minnesota January 30, 2020

Utah Governor Gary R. Herbert February 3, 2020

Louisiana Governor John Bel Edwards February 4, 2020

Idaho Governor Brad Little February 4, 2020

Arizona Governor Douglas A. Ducey February 5, 2020