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**JOINT STATEMENT OF CHAIRMAN JULIUS GENACHOWSKI  
AND COMMISSIONER MEREDITH A. BAKER  
ON VERIZON WIRELESS' RURAL 4G INITIATIVE**

“Bringing the benefits of mobile broadband to rural America is one the Commission’s top priorities. The news of Verizon Wireless’ plan to partner with rural providers to accelerate investment in 4G networks is very encouraging. Seamless universal connectivity is essential to economic growth and world-class technology leadership. We look forward to learning more about Verizon Wireless’ initiative, its successful implementation, and other examples of industry-led innovation.”

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