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THE CHAIRMAN

February 21, 2017

The Honorable Carol Shea-Porter
U.S. House of Representatives
1530 Longworth House Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Congresswoman Shea-Porter:

Thank you for your letter regarding the need for the Commission to move forward with Mobility Fund Phase II. As your letter makes clear, we share the same goal of ensuring the Commission meets the important promise set forth in the very first sentence of the Communications Act of 1934: To "make available, so far as possible, to all the people of the United States, without discrimination on the basis of race, color, religion, national origin, or sex, a rapid, efficient, Nation-wide, and world-wide wire and radio communication service." I and the hard-working staff at the FCC take this promise seriously.

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Your views are very important and a copy of your letter will be included in the record of the proceeding. Please let me know if I can be of any further assistance.

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The Honorable Ann McLane Kuster
U.S. House of Representatives
137 Cannon House Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20515

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The Honorable Jeanne Shaheen
United States Senate
506 Hart Senate Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Senator Shaheen:

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The Honorable Maggie Hassan
United States Senate
B85 Russell Senate Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20510

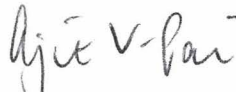
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P.S. Senator, I was pleased to see that you had joined the Commerce Committee. I look forward to working with you on matters of importance to the Granite State!