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The Honorable Roy Blunt United States Senate 260 Russell Senate Office Building Washington, DC 20510

Dear Senator Blunt:

Thank you for your letter regarding the Missouri Research and Education Network's (MOREnet's) appeal of the Universal Service Administrative Company's (USAC's) decision to recover E-rate funding.

MOREnet filed a Request for Review of the USAC decision on March 23, 2018. Although I cannot comment on the merits of this issue, I can assure you that we will take into consideration the issues and concerns presented by all stakeholders as the Commission makes every effort to conclude its review in accordance with the law and the facts. As in all such cases, we will strive to achieve the E-rate program's goal of providing important resources to eligible schools and libraries, while protecting the program from potential waste, fraud, and abuse.

I appreciate your interest in this matter. Please let me know if I can be of any further assistance.

Sincerely, Ajit V. Pai