



Federal Communications Commission  
Washington, D.C. 20554

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DA 12-838

Brian L. Talbott  
Chairman - Board of Directors  
Universal Service Administrative Company  
2000 L Street, N.W.  
Suite 200  
Washington, D.C. 20036

Re: Vacancy on the USAC Board of Directors  
CC Docket Nos. 96-45, 97-21

Dear Chairman Talbott:

On March 26, 2012, the Wireline Competition Bureau issued a public notice<sup>1</sup> soliciting comments on a nomination made by the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners (NARUC) to fill a position on the Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC) Board of Directors, to represent state telecommunications regulators.<sup>2</sup> This position, which is currently vacant, was formerly held by South Carolina Commissioner Randy Mitchell.<sup>3</sup> NARUC nominated Florida Commissioner Ronald A. Brisé.<sup>4</sup> The Commission received no comments in response to this nomination.

Pursuant to section 54.703(c)(3) of the Commission's rules,<sup>5</sup> Chairman Julius Genachowski appoints the following member to serve on the USAC Board of Directors:

**Representative for state telecommunications regulators:**

Hon. Ronald A. Brisé, Commissioner, Public Service Commission of Florida

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<sup>1</sup> *Wireline Competition Bureau Seeks Comment on Nomination for a Board Member Position on the Universal Service Administrative Company Board of Directors*, CC Docket Nos. 96-45, 97-21, Public Notice, DA 12-470 (Wireline Comp. Bur. rel. Mar. 26, 2012).

<sup>2</sup> Letter from James Bradford Ramsay, NARUC, to Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary, FCC, CC Docket Nos. 96-45, 97-21 (dated Feb. 24, 2012) (attaching resume of Ronald A. Brisé) (NARUC Nomination).

<sup>3</sup> See Letter from D. Scott Barash, Acting Chief Executive Officer, USAC, to Sharon Gillett, Chief, Wireline Competition Bureau, FCC (dated Feb. 3, 2012) (attaching resignation letter of Randy Mitchell).

<sup>4</sup> See NARUC Nomination.

<sup>5</sup> 47 C.F.R. § 54.703(c)(3).

The Commission welcomes Commissioner Brisé to the USAC Board of Directors and looks forward to working with him. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or need additional information.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "Sharon E. Gillett". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Sharon E. Gillett  
Chief  
Wireline Competition Bureau

cc: Hon. Ronald A. Brisé