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Honorable Patricia A. Ritchie
New York State Senate
Legislative Office Building
Room 815
Albany, New York 12247

Dear Senator Ritchie:

Thank you for your August 16, 2011 correspondence to Chairman Brown regarding your concerns relative to the Universal Service Proceeding (Case 09-M-0527). This proceeding has provided a forum for a full analysis of the issues by all of the stakeholders, including rural telecommunications companies, cable companies, wireless companies and staff of the Department of Public Service.

I have included a copy of your letter in the case file associated with this proceeding, and your views will be taken into consideration during the Commission's deliberations on this matter, which is currently before an Administrative Law Judge. If you have any questions, or desire any additional information, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

Jaclyn A. Brillling
Secretary