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**VIA ELECTRONIC FILING**

Ms. Jennifer Outhouse  
Office of Chief Counsel  
Federal Highway Administration  
U.S. Department of Transportation  
725 17th Street NW  
Washington, D.C. 20590

**Re: *Notice of Ex Parte*, Notice and Request for Comment on Buy America Requirements  
for Manufactured Products (Docket No. FHWA-2023-0037)**

Dear Ms. Outhouse:

On June 27, 2024, Steve Morris and the undersigned of NCTA – The Internet & Television Association (NCTA) had a videoconference meeting with staff of the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), which included you, Michael Harkins, David Serody, Brian Hogge, Edwin Okonkwo, and Kurt Salmoiraghi, to discuss the FHWA’s Notice and Request for Comment on discontinuing its existing Buy America waiver for manufactured products.

In the meeting, we discussed the comments NCTA submitted in the proceeding and explained that broadband providers should not be subjected to Buy America requirements when they are required to relocate, modify or significantly adjust their network to accommodate an FHWA project.

Respectfully submitted,

**/s/Pamela Arluk**

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