SEPARATE STATEMENT OF COMMISSIONER KATHLEEN Q. ABERNATHY

Re: Modification of Subpart G, Section 0.701 of the Commission's Rules

I fully support increasing the effectiveness of the Advisory Committees to the Federal Communications Commission. Today's item specifically strengthens the Intergovernmental Advisory Committee by improving the Committee's overall structure and operations. I believe that by requiring a mix of local, state and tribal representation in the Committee, we will be able to receive input from a diverse group of interests on telecommunications issues that affect each of their interests. I would also like to take this opportunity to publicly thank the members of the LSGAC for their continued service and dedication to the Committee.