



FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

March 8, 2013

JULIUS GENACHOWSKI  
CHAIRMAN

The Honorable Tom Price, M.D.  
U.S. House of Representatives  
100 Cannon House Office Building  
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Congressman Price:

Thank you for your letter regarding a proposal by ProForma Health Care Solutions. I appreciate your interest in this matter and am pleased to provide the enclosed letter on this issue from the Chief of the Wireline Competition Bureau's Telecommunications Access Policy Division.

If you have any additional questions or need any further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

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Julius Genachowski

Enclosure



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Washington, D.C. 20554

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Dear Congressman Price:

Thank you for your December 13, 2012 letter in support of a proposal by ProForma HealthCare Solutions (ProForma) for a public-private partnership for rural health care telecommunications.

On April 12, 2012, the Commission received ProForma's comments filed in response to a request for comments concerning the reform of the Commission's rural health care program. ProForma's comments provide details regarding its new proposal for a "Rural Trust."

On December 21, 2012, the Commission launched the new Healthcare Connect Fund to expand health care provider access to broadband and foster state and regional broadband health care networks. The text of the Order adopting the Healthcare Connect Fund may be found on the Commission's web site, at [http://hraunfoss.fcc.gov/edocs\\_public/attachmatch/FCC-12-150A1.doc](http://hraunfoss.fcc.gov/edocs_public/attachmatch/FCC-12-150A1.doc). ProForma should review the Order to determine how the Healthcare Connect Fund may benefit the rural health care communities it serves.

Thank you for your interest in this important matter and please do not hesitate to contact me if I can be of further assistance.

Sincerely,

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Kimberly A. Scardino  
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Telecommunications Access Policy Division  
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