



## Universal Service Administrative Company

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### USAC Board of Directors Elects Seven Members

WASHINGTON, D.C. – The Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC) Board of Directors yesterday elected seven individuals to the USAC Board. The new members were appointed by Federal Communications Chairman Kevin J. Martin. Following are the Board members elected for terms that will conclude on December 31, 2008:

**Debra Berlyn** — Affiliation: AARP, Senior Legislative Representative - Federal Affairs, Washington, DC. Representing: Low-income consumers.

**James Jackson** (reappointment) — Affiliation: General Communications, Inc., Regulatory Attorney, Anchorage, AK. Representing: Interexchange carriers with annual revenues of less than \$3 billion.

**Dr. Peter Kragel, M.D.** — Affiliation: Associate Vice Chancellor, Health Sciences Division, East Carolina University, Greenville, NC. Representing: Rural health care providers.

**Jonathan Lee** — Affiliation: COMPTTEL, Senior Vice President, Regulatory Affairs, Washington, DC. Representing: Competitive local exchange carriers.

**Dr. Brian L. Talbott** (reappointment) — Affiliation: Association of Educational Service Agencies, Executive Director, Arlington, VA. Representing: Schools.

**Jason B. Williams** — Affiliation: Law firm of Christian, Samson, Jones and Chisholm, PLLC, Missoula, MT. Representing: Incumbent local exchange carriers with revenues of less than \$40 million.

The following new member was elected to a term that will conclude on December 31, 2007 to replace a Board member who resigned in 2005:

**Kevin M. Joseph** — Affiliation: The Joseph Group, LLC, Washington, DC. Representing: Wireless providers.

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## About the Universal Service Administrative Company

The Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC) is an independent, not-for-profit corporation designated as the permanent administrator of the federal Universal Service Fund by the Federal Communications Commission (FCC). USAC administers Universal Service Fund programs for high cost companies serving rural areas, low-income consumers, schools and libraries, and rural health care providers. The Universal Service Fund helps provide communities across the country with affordable telecommunications services. For more information please visit [www.usac.org](http://www.usac.org).