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## **ITTA STATEMENT ON ADOPTION OF RATE-OF-RETURN BUSINESS DATA SERVICES ORDER**

(Washington, DC) The following statement was released today by ITTA - The Voice of America's Broadband Providers and may be attributed to ITTA President Genny Morelli:

“ITTA welcomes the decision by the Federal Communications Commission today to allow rate-of-return carriers that currently receive model-based or other forms of fixed high-cost universal service support to elect to move their business data service (BDS) offerings out of rate-of-return regulation to incentive regulation.”

“Legacy regulations impose unnecessary and burdensome costs on fixed support carriers and preclude them from offering beneficial rates and terms to their BDS customers. The FCC's decision to allow replacement of those outdated rules with incentive regulation will further the Commission's goals to reduce unnecessary regulations while promoting competition and investment.”

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