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Marlene H. Dortch  
Secretary  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 - 12<sup>th</sup> Street, SW  
Washington, DC 20554

RE: Selection of a Path for Disaggregation of Federal High Cost Universal Service Support

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On behalf of United Telephone Mutual Aid Corporation, (SAC# 381636), and pursuant to Section 54.315 of the Rules of the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) and in accordance with FCC Docket No. 96-45, please accept this correspondence as official notification United Telephone Mutual Aid Corporation's election of a disaggregation path regarding its federal high cost universal service support.

Specifically, United Telephone Mutual Aid Corporation elects the disaggregation option provided for in Section 54.315(b) and commonly referred to as "Path 1". As such, United Telephone Mutual Aid Corporation is choosing to certify to the Commission that it is not disaggregating and targeting its high cost support at this time.

This election will remain in place for four years from the effective date of certification, pursuant to Section 54.315, unless the FCC, on its own motion, or upon the motion of United Telephone Mutual Aid Corporation or an interested party, requires a change to the elected disaggregation plan.

Your cooperation in this matter is greatly appreciated. Any questions or comments may be directed to me at the above-listed address and telephone number.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Ken Carlson", is written over a horizontal line.

Kenneth Carlson, General Manager  
United Telephone Mutual Aid Corporation

cc: Ms. Irene M. Flannery, Universal Service A  
Mr. Jon Mielke, North Dakota Public Service

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Certification of Disaggregation Plan

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