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PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Darrell Nitschke
Director of Administration
North Dakota Public Service Commission
State Capitol
600 East Boulevard
Bismarck, ND 58505-0480

Re: Rural Telecommunications Carrier Annual 47 C.F.R. § 54.314(d) Certification

Dear Mr. Nitschke:

Enclosed please find the Affidavit of Loretel System Inc., Study Area 361443, Regarding Certification of Use of Federal Universal Service Support. A copy has also been provided by email to ndpsc@nd.gov.

Please contact me if further information is required.

Very truly yours,



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Certification of Use of Federal Universal Services Support

Loretel Systems, Inc.

BEFORE THE NORTH DAKOTA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION AND BEFORE THE
FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION IN DOCKET NO. 96-45

AFFIDAVIT OF Loretel Systems Inc. STUDY AREA 361443

REGARDING CERTIFICATION OF USE OF FEDERAL UNIVERSAL SERVICE SUPPORT

STATE OF MINNESOTA)
) ss.
COUNTY OF BROWN

Bob Weiss, being first duly sworn on oath, does hereby declare and state upon affiant's own personal knowledge as follows:

1. Affiant is employed by Loretel Systems Inc. (hereinafter, the "Company") in the position of Secretary.
2. The Company is an eligible telecommunications carrier within the meaning of Section 214(e) of the Federal Telecommunications Act of 1996 (hereinafter, the "Act") and the Company is eligible to receive federal high-cost universal service support (hereinafter, the "Support") pursuant to Section 254(e) of the Act. The North Dakota Public Service Commission (hereinafter, the "NDPSC") has designated the Company as an eligible telecommunications carrier.
3. Affiant is personally familiar with all the Support received by the Company and with how the Company uses all of the Support that it receives.
4. The Company is filing this affidavit in compliance with the order of the Federal Communications Commission (hereinafter, "FCC") dated May 23, 2001 in Docket Number 96-45 (FCC 01-157) (hereinafter, the "Order") as codified in 47 C.F.R and 54.314, which requires certification to the FCC that all federal Support will be used by carriers within each state only for the provision, maintenance and upgrading of facilities and services for which the Support is intended, as required by Section 254(e) of the Act and 47 C.F.R and 54.7. The Company is also filing this affidavit in compliance with the Orders of the NDPSC dated August 28, 2001, in Case No. PU-439-01-460 and dated August 28, 2002 in Case No. PU-439-02-441. This affidavit is filed to facilitate the Company's receipt of federal Support for all four quarters of 2008 and for all quarters thereafter.

