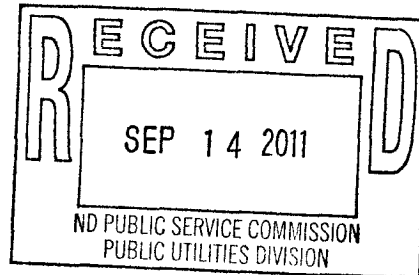




3901 North Louise Avenue
Sioux Falls, South Dakota 57107

September 9, 2011

Patrick Fahn, Director
Compliance and Competitive Markets
Public Service Commission
600 E Boulevard Avenue
Bismarck, North Dakota 58505-0480



RE: ETC Certification

Dear Mr. Fahn:

Enclosed please find an Affidavit from Midcontinent Communications as required certifying that all Universal Service support funds received by Midcontinent during 2012 will be used only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services in accordance with Section 254(e) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996 and per Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking in CC Docket No. 96-45, and the Fourteenth Report and Order.

Sincerely,

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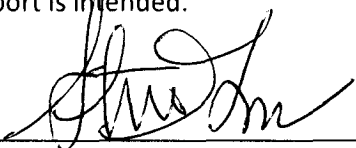
Mary Lohnes
Regulatory Affairs Manager
Midcontinent Communications
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cc: Patrick Durick

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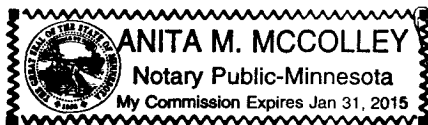
AFFIDAVIT

As an officer of Midcontinent Communications, I, Steven E. Grosser hereby affirm familiarity with and an understanding of the requirements of the Federal Communications Act of 1934 as amended by the Telecommunications Act of 1996 Section 254(e), the Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking in CC Docket No. 96-45, and Fourteenth Report and Order. This is in respect to the receipt of any federal universal service funds received as high-cost loop support, local switching support, safety net additive support, and/or safety valve support. I hereby affirm that any such support amounts received by Midcontinent Communications during 2012 will be used only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended.

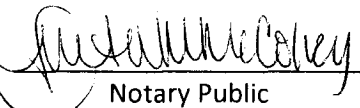


Steven E. Grosser
Chief Financial Officer
Midcontinent Communications

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 9th day of September 2011.



(SEAL)



Notary Public

Notary Print Name: Anita M McColley
My Commission Expires: 1-31-15