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June 22, 2012

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**PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

Patrick Fahn, Director  
North Dakota Public Service Commission  
600 East Boulevard, Twelfth Floor  
Bismarck, ND 58505

Re: Midcontinent Communications ETC Certification

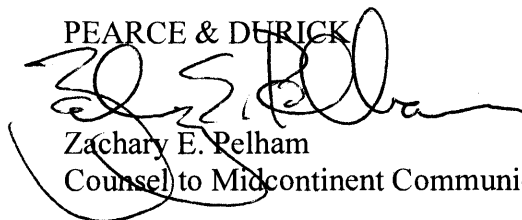
Dear Mr. Fahn:

Enclosed please find correspondence from Mary Lohnes along with an Affidavit on behalf of Midcontinent Communications for ETC certification.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

PEARCE & DURICK



Zachary E. Pelham  
Counsel to Midcontinent Communications

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Enclosures

cc: Mary Lohnes



3901 North Louise Avenue  
Sioux Falls, South Dakota 57107

June 20, 2012

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 2013 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,

Mary Lohnes  
Regulatory Affairs Manager  
Midcontinent Communications  
(605) 357-5459  
mary\_lohnes@mci.net

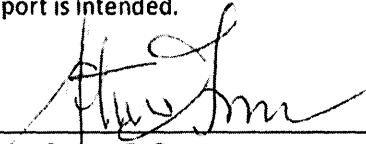
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Over Fifty Years of Service

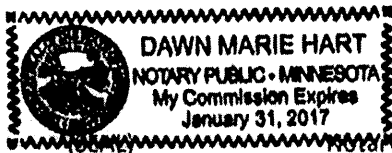
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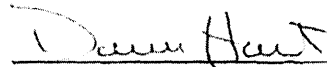
**AFFIDAVIT**

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.

  
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Steven E. Grosser  
Chief Financial Officer  
Midcontinent Communications

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 21 day of June, 2012.



  
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Notary Public

Print Name: Dawn Marie Hart  
My Commission Expires: January, 31, 2017