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RE: CC Docket No. 96-45/WC Docket No. 14-58, Annual State Certification of Support for Eligible Telecommunications Carriers Pursuant to 47 C.F.R. § 54.314

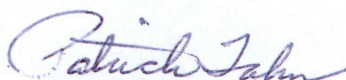
As noted in the enclosed copy of the September 28, 2015 Order of the North Dakota Public Service Commission, the carriers listed have accounted to the North Dakota Public Service Commission by affidavit that all federal support they receive will be used only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended. Therefore, pursuant to the requirements of 47 C.F.R. § 54.314(a), the North Dakota Public Service Commission certifies for the carriers listed all federal high-cost support provided to such carriers was used in the preceding calendar year (2014) and will be used in the coming calendar year (2016) only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended.

Also enclosed is a copy of the September 28, 2015 Order of the North Dakota Public Service Commission designating North Dakota Telephone Company as an eligible telecommunications carrier for access lines that were previously in study area code 381638 that will now be in study area code 381447.

Also enclosed is a copy of the affidavit of North Dakota Telephone Company accounting to the North Dakota Public Service Commission by affidavit that all federal support it receives, for the access lines being transferred, will be used only for the provision, maintenance, and

upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended, consistent with section 254 (e) of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended. Therefore, pursuant to the requirements of 47 C.F.R. § 54.314(a), the North Dakota Public Service Commission certifies for North Dakota Telephone Company, for the access lines being transferred, all federal high-cost support provided to North Dakota Telephone Company will be used in the coming calendar year (2016) only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended.

Best regards,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Patrick Fahn". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "P".

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Enclosures

| Telecommunications Carrier | | Study Area Code |
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| Absaraka Co-operative Telephone Company, Inc. | Rural | 381601 |
| Badlands Cellular of North Dakota Limited Partnership | CETC | 389009 |
| BEK Communications Cooperative | Rural | 381604 |
| Citizens Telecommunications Company of Minnesota, LLC | Rural | 381131 |
| Consolidated Communications Networks, Inc. | Rural | 386325 |
| Consolidated Telcom | Rural | 381607 |
| Dakota Central Telecom I, Inc. | Rural | 381610 |
| Dakota Central Telecommunications Cooperative | Rural | 381610 |
| Dickey Rural Telephone Cooperative | Rural | 381611 |
| Griggs County Telephone Co. | Rural | 381615 & 381622 |
| Halstad Telephone Company | Rural-MN & ND | 361401 & 389002 |
| Inter-Community Telephone Company, L.L.C. | Rural | 381616 |
| James Valley Telecommunications | Rural-SD | 391664 |
| Loretel Systems, Inc. | Rural-MN | 361443 |
| Midcontinent Communications | CETC | 389011 |
| Mid-Rivers Telephone Cooperative Inc. | Rural-MT | 482246 |
| Midstate Communications Inc. | Rural | 381638 |
| Midstate Telephone Company, LLC | Rural | 381617 |
| Missouri Valley Communications, Inc. | Rural | 382247 |
| Nemont Telephone Cooperative Inc. | Rural | 382247 |
| New Cingular Wireless PCS, LLC | CETC | 389015 |
| North Central RSA 2 of North Dakota Limited Partnership | CETC | 389006 |
| North Dakota 5- Kidder Limited Partnership | CETC | 389010 |
| North Dakota Network Co. | CETC | 389004 |
| North Dakota RSA No. 3 Limited Partnership | CETC | 389008 |
| North Dakota Telephone Company | Rural | 381447 |
| Northwest Communications Cooperative, a Cooperative Association | Rural | 381625 |
| Northwest Dakota Cellular of North Dakota Limited Partnership | CETC | 389007 |
| Polar Communications Mutual Aid Corporation dba Polar Communications | Rural | 381630 & 381614 |
| Polar Telcom, Inc. | Rural | 389003 |
| Qwest Corporation dba CenturyLink QC | Non-rural | 385144 |
| RC Technologies | Rural-SD | 399010 & 391674 |
| Red River Rural Telephone Association dba Red River Communications | Rural | 381631 |
| Reservation Telephone Cooperative | Rural | 381632 |
| Sagebrush Cellular, Inc. | CETC & Mobility | 389013, 388001, 388002, 388003, 388004, 388005, 388006 |
| SRT Communications, Inc. | Rural | 383303 |
| Turtle Mountain Communications, Inc. | Rural | 381636 |
| United Telephone Mutual Aid Corporation | Rural | 381636 |
| Venture Communications Cooperative | Rural-SD | 391680 |
| West River Telecommunications Cooperative | Rural | 381637 |
| Wolverton Telephone Company | Rural | 381509 |