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Hand Delivered & Via Email: ndpsc@nd.gov

Mr. Steven Kahl
Interim Executive Director
North Dakota Public Service Commission
600 E. Boulevard, Dept. 408
Bismarck, ND 58505-0480

RE: Midcontinent Communications; PU-19-197
Certification of Use of Federal Universal Service Support
WC Docket No. 14-58

Dear Mr. Kahl:

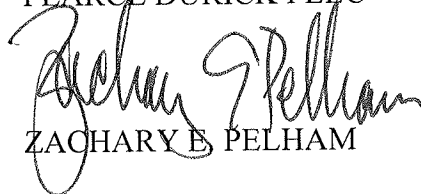
Enclosed for please find an *Affidavit of Midcontinent Communications Regarding Certification of Use of Federal Universal Service Support*. Midcontinent requests that the above document be filed in Case PU-19-197 and Midcontinent Communications be certified.

An electronic version of this letter and the above-referenced document was filed today with the Commission via email.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

PEARCE DURICK PLLC



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Enclosure

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Affidavit regarding certification of use of Federal Service
Support
Midcontinent Communications
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**AFFIDAVIT OF MIDCONTINENT COMMUNICATIONS
REGARDING
CERTIFICATION OF USE OF FEDERAL UNIVERSAL SERVICE SUPPORT**

State of South Dakota)
) ss.
County of Minnehaha)

As an officer of Midcontinent Communications, I, Patrick J. Mastel, being first duly sworn on oath, do hereby affirm personal knowledge as follows:

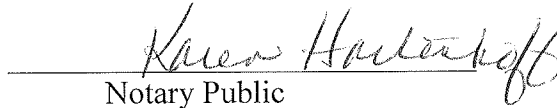
1. Midcontinent Communications (hereinafter, the “Company”), is an eligible telecommunications carrier within the meaning of Section 214 (e) of the Federal Telecommunications Act of 1996 (hereinafter, the “Act”), and the Company is eligible to receive federal high-cost universal service support (hereinafter, the “Support”) pursuant to Section 254 (e) of the Act.
2. Affiant is personally familiar with all of the Support received by the Company, and with how the Company uses all of Support it receives.
3. The Company filed an affidavit in compliance with the order of the Federal Communication Commission dated May 23, 2001, in WC Docket 10-90 and WC Docket 14-58 (FCC 01-157) (hereinafter, the “Order”), as codified in 47 C.F.R. § 54.314, which requires certification to the FCC that all federal Support was used in the preceding calendar year and will be used in the coming calendar year by carriers within each state only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and service for which the support is intended, as required by Section 254 (e) of the Act and 47 C.F.R. § 54.7.
4. The Company hereby certifies that all federal high-cost support provided to Midcontinent Communications was used in the preceding calendar year and will be

used in the coming year only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and service for which the support is intended, as required by Section 254 (e) of the Act and 47 C.F.R. § 54.7



Patrick J. Mastel

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 29th day of Aug, 2019.


Notary Public

(SEAL)

Notary Print Name: Karen Hartenhoff
My Commission Expires: 4-21-2022

