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August 25, 2008

Ms. Stephanie Stumbo Executive Director Public Service Commission 211 Sower Boulevard P.O. Box 615 Frankfort, KY 40602

## Re: A Certification of the Carriers Receiving Universal Service High-Cost Support, Administrative Case 381

Dear Ms. Stumbo:

The Commission's September 27, 2002 Order in Administrative Case 381 requires that recipients of Federal Universal Service High-Cost Support provide information to the Commission by September 1 of each year regarding the use of those funds. The Commission, in turn, must certify to the FCC pursuant to the state certification process set out in 47 C.F.R §54.313 that such funds are used appropriately. The attached Affidavit from Joan Coleman, President – AT&T Kentucky, serves as AT&T Kentucky's response regarding the use of those funds for 2009.

Should you wish any further information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Mary K. Keyer

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## **AFFIDAVIT OF JOAN COLEMAN**

Comes the Affiant, Joan Coleman, and after being duly sworn states as follows:

1. I have personal knowledge of the facts stated herein. I am competent to testify to the facts, which are stated to the best of my knowledge and recollection.

2. I have been employed by BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. d/b/a AT&T Kentucky ("AT&T Kentucky"), or its predecessor corporations for 21 years. I currently am President – AT&T Kentucky in the Commonwealth of Kentucky.

3. In the Kentucky Public Service Commission's September 27, 2002 Order in Administrative Case No. 381, carriers were ordered to file with the Commission their plans for use of high-cost federal support by September 1st of each year.

4. AT&T Kentucky has approximately \$500,000 of rate reductions embedded in its rate structure related to hold harmless support. In 2000, AT&T Kentucky received approximately \$500,000 of incremental new support that was offset by a reduction in intrastate access charges.

5. Any federal universal service fund support that AT&T Kentucky receives in 2009 in excess of the approximately \$1,000,000 already offset in AT&T Kentucky's rate structure, as explained in 4 above, will be used for the

maintenance and upgrade of facilities and equipment in compliance with the FCC's guidelines.

Further, Affiant sayeth naught.

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COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY ) ) ss COUNTY OF JEFFERSON )

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO before me by JOAN COLEMAN on this  $\frac{\partial 1^{S^L}}{\partial 1}$  day of <u>August</u>, 2008.

My commission expires: January 4, 2011\_\_\_\_.

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