

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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In the Matter of:

CERTIFICATION OF THE CARRIERS
RECEIVING UNIVERSAL SERVICE
HIGH COST SUPPORT

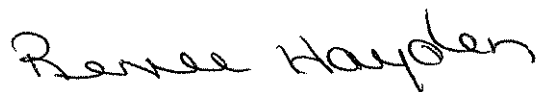
ADMINISTRATIVE
CASE NO. 381

e-TEL, LLC ANNUAL AFFIDAVIT
IN RESPONSE TO COMMISSION'S ORDER DATED SEPTEMBER, 2001 ORDER

e-Tel, LLC is committed to providing excellent customer service and the highest level of telecommunications services at rates that are affordable and comparable to non-rural areas. It is critical that e-Tel, LLC remain eligible to receive federal high cost support to meet these goals.

The state certification for federal support is an annual process. In order to receive federal support beginning January 1 of each year, the Kentucky Public Service Commission must file its annual certification on or before September 1 of the previous year. The attached affidavit should be accepted by the Kentucky Public Service Commission for the purpose of notifying the Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC) and the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) that e-Tel, LLC is eligible to receive high cost support in accordance with 47 USC 254(e).

Respectfully submitted,



Renee Hayden
Vice President

AFFIDAVIT

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY)
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) ss:
COUNTY OF McCRACKEN)

Before me, the undersigned authority, on this day personally appeared Renee Hayden of e-Tel, LLC (the "Company"), who on her oath deposed and stated as follows:

1. My name is Renee Hayden. I have been employed by e-Tel, LLC for 5 years, currently in the position of Vice-President. In this position, I am personally familiar with the Federal Universal Service support received by the Company and how these funds are used by the Company.
2. e-Tel, LLC was designated as an eligible telecommunications carrier by the Kentucky Public Service Commission in PSC Case No. 2002-00323 by order dated November 26, 2002.
3. e-Tel, LLC does not expect to receive Federal Universal Service high cost support during the year of 2008.
4. If e-Tel, LLC receives any Federal Universal Service support, it will be used for the provision, maintenance and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended, as designated by the Federal Communications Commission consistent with Section 254(e) of the Federal Telecommunications Act of 1934, as amended. These funds will be used to provide the following supported services as outlined in 47 CFR §54.10(a), which are available to any customer in the Company's service area: single-part voice grade access to the public switched network, unlimited local usage, dual-tone multi-frequency signaling or its functional equivalent, access to emergency services, including 9-1-1 service or enhanced 9-1-1 service, access to operator service, access interexchange service and access to directory assistance and toll limitation for qualifying low income customers.
5. e-Tel, LLC follows Federal Communications Commission Part 32 accounting requirements for regulated local exchange carriers to determine high cost support amounts. As a regulated utility, the Company's accounting procedures are subject to periodic National Exchange Carrier Association and Kentucky Public Service Commission reviews.
6. If Federal Universal Service support is received, e-Tel does not anticipate increasing local rates nor withdrawing any services; therefore, the comparability of rates and service between the rural areas served by the Company and the urban

areas of Kentucky will not be changed because of any action on the part of the Company.

7. The matters addressed above are within my personal knowledge and are true and correct.

Further the Affiant sayeth naught.

Renee Hayden
{Name}

Sworn and subscribed before me, the undersigned authority, on this the 5 day of September, 2007.

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Sarah Haulton
Notary Public, State at Large

My commission expires April 27, 2011.