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Executive Director Kentucky Public Service Commission PO Box 615 Frankfort, KY 40602-0615 AUG 28 2009 PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

RE: PSC Case No. 381

In response to the Public Service Commission's order dated September 25, 2001, enclosed is the original and ten copies of our annual affidavit supporting the Commission's annual certification to the Federal Communication Commission and the Universal Service Administrative Company that SouthEast Telephone is eligible to receive high-cost support in accordance with 47 USC 254 (e).

Please call me if you have any questions.

Sincerely **Darrell Maynard**

Darrell Maynar President

Enc.

<u>Affidavit</u>

State of Kentucky

County of Pike

Before Me, the undersigned authority, on this day personally appeared Darrell Maynard of SouthEast Telephone, Inc., who on his oath deposed and said:

- 1. My name is Darrell Maynard. I am employed by SouthEast Telephone as President. As President, I am personally familiar with the Federal Universal Service support received by SouthEast Telephone and how these funds are used by the company.
- 2. SouthEast Telephone was designated as an eligible telecommunications carrier by the Kentucky Public Service Commission in PSC Case No. 2002 00080 by order dated September 17, 2002.
- 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. SouthEast Telephone, would reasonably expect to receive approximately, \$645,400 in Federal Universal Service high cost support during 2009, based upon current funding.
- 5. Any support received by SouthEast Telephone 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. 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 SouthEast Telephone'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 to interexchange service and access to directory assistance and toll limitation for qualifying low income customers.
- 6. If Federal Universal Service support is received, SouthEast Telephone does not anticipate increasing local rates nor withdrawing any services; thisefore, the comparability of rates and service between the rural areas served by SouthEast Telephone and the urban areas of Kentucky will not be changed because of any action on the part of SouthEast Telephone.

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

Darrell Maynard

Sworn and subscribed before me, the undersigned authority, on this the 24th day of August, 2009.

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Notary Public, State of Kentucky

My commission expires 4 - 2/-12.