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Re: A Certification of the Carriers Receiving Universal Service High Cost Support  
Administrative Case No. 381

Dear Ms. O'Donnell:

Enclosed please find an original and 10 copies of the Certification of Cincinnati Bell Telephone Company in the above matter.

Please date stamp and return a copy of this letter to me in the enclosed, self-addressed, stamped envelope. Any questions concerning this matter may be directed to me at 513-397-6671.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Patricia L. Rupich".

Patricia L. Rupich

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Dear Ms. O'Donnell:

Pursuant to the Commission Order issued on September 25, 2001 in the above case, by September 1<sup>st</sup> of each year all incumbent local exchange carriers must submit plans for their intended use of any federal high-cost support they expect to receive in the ensuing calendar year. Cincinnati Bell Telephone Company LLC ("CBT") hereby files this letter in compliance with the Commission's Order for calendar year 2009 federal high-cost fund support.

At this time, the Universal Service Administrative Company ("USAC") has not released its estimates for federal universal service high-cost support for 2009. The most recent estimates available from USAC are for the fourth quarter of 2008 (released by the USAC on August 1, 2008). Based on that report and high-cost model funds received to date for the current year, CBT anticipates that it will receive approximately \$672,000 during 2008. CBT's best estimate is that its 2009 funding will be comparable to 2008 levels. Thus, at this time, CBT anticipates that its high-cost model support for 2009 will be approximately \$670,000.

CBT commits that high-cost model funds it receives will be directed to investment initiatives designed to maintain and upgrade its network to improve reliability and enhance feature availability in its rural wire centers in Kentucky. Such initiatives will be consistent with the directives of Section 254(e) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996 and the Federal Communications Commission's rules that require universal service high-cost support to be used for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services.<sup>1</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> 47 U.S.C. § 254(e) and 47 C.F.R. § 54.313.

If you have any questions regarding this matter please contact Pat Rupich at 513-397-6671.

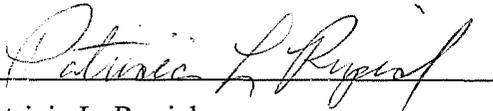
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**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that a copy of the foregoing filing of Cincinnati Bell Telephone Company was sent by U. S. mail, postage prepaid, to the following parties on this 27<sup>th</sup> day of August 2008.

  
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