

August 22, 2011

Jeff R. Derouen, Executive Director Kentucky Public Service Commission 211 Sower Boulevard PO Box 615 Frankfort, KY 40602-0615 AUG 2 3 2011 PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Re: Compliance with Administrative Case No. 381

Dear Mr. Derouen:

In compliance with the Kentucky Public Service Commission's Order dated September 27, 2002, please find enclosed the original and ten copies of our annual affidavit supporting the Commission's annual certification to the Federal Communications Commission, and the Universal Service Administrative Company that SE Acquisitions, LLC d/b/a SouthEast Telephone is eligible to receive high-cost support in accordance with 47 USC §254(e).

Please acknowledge this filing by returning, date-stamped, the extra copy of this cover letter in the self-addressed envelope enclosed for this purpose. Should you have any questions please feel free to contact me. My direct line is 502.410.1531, and my email address is: <u>linda.hunt@lightyear.net</u>

Sincerely,

Kinda Hunt

Linda Hunt Director of Legal and Regulatory Affairs

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Enclosures

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Comes, Affiant, Stephen M. Lochmueller, and after first being duly sworn, states as follows:

1. My name is Stephen M. Lochmueller, and I am Chief Executive Officer ("CEO") of SE Acquisitions, LLC, d/b/a SouthEast Telephone ("SouthEast"). As CEO, I am personally familiar with the Federal Universal Service support received by SouthEast, and how these funds are used by SouthEast.

2. SouthEast was designated as an eligible telecommunications carrier by the Kentucky Public Service Commission (the "Commission") in PSC Case No. 2002 00080 by order dated September 17, 2002. Subsequently, this eligible telecommunications carrier designation was transferred to SE Acquisitions, LLC by Order of the Commission in PSC Case No. 2010-00340 dated September 27, 2010.

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 would reasonably expect to receive approximately \$321,906.00 in Federal Universal Service high cost support during 2011, based upon current funding.

5. Any support received by SouthEast 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'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 does not anticipate increasing local rates nor withdrawing any services. Therefore, the comparability of rates and service between the rural areas served by SouthEast and the urban areas of Kentucky will not be changed because of any action on the part of SouthEast.

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

Stephen M. Lochmueller

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY)

COUNTY OF JEFFERSON

Subscribed and sworn to before me by Stephen M. Lochmueller this $\frac{2}{2}$ day of August, 2011.

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My commission expires July 6, 2013.

NOTARY PUBLIC, STATE-AT-LARGE, KY