

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

September 24, 2013

Honorable Jeff R. Derouen Executive Director Kentucky Public Service Commission P. O. Box 615 Frankfort, KY 40602-0615

RE: Affidavit Pursuant to C.F.R.§ 54.314 Requirements

Please find enclosed our annual affidavit in supporting the Commission's Annual Certification filing pursuant to 54.314 Federal Communications Commission (FCC) and the Universal Service Administration Company (USAC) that North Central Telephone Cooperative is eligible to receive high-cost support in accordance with 47 USC § 254(e).

Should you have any questions regarding our filing, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Nancy J. White

President and CEO

**Enclosures** 

#### **AFFIDAVIT**

# Certification of Support for Eligible Telecommunications Carriers

# Pursuant to 47 C. F. R. § 54.314

### STATE OF KENTUCKY

### **COUNTY OF ALLEN**

BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority, on this day personally appeared Nancy J. White of North Central Telephone Cooperative, ("the Cooperative"), who on her oath deposed and said:

- 1. My name is Nancy J. White. I am employed by North Central Telephone Cooperative in the position of President and CEO. In this position, I am personally familiar with the Federal Universal Service support received by the Cooperative and how these funds are used by the Cooperative.
- 2. North Central Telephone Cooperative was designated as an eligible Telecommunications carrier by the Kentucky Public Service Commission in Case No. 360 by order dated November 26, 1997. North Central Telephone Cooperative provides service in study area code 290573.
- 3. Pursuant to the requirements of 47 C.F. R. § 54.314, North Central Telephone Cooperative hereby certifies all federal high-cost support provided to the Cooperative was used in the preceding calendar year (2012) and will be used in the coming calendar year (2014) only 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 § 54.101(a), which are available to any customer in the Cooperative's service area: voice grade access to the public switched network or its functional equivalent; minutes of use for local service provided at no additional charge to end users; access to the emergency services provided by local government or other public safety organizations, such as 911 and enhanced 911, to the extent the local government in an eligible carrier's service area has implemented 911 or enhanced 911 systems; and toll limitation services to qualifying lowincome consumers.
- 4. North Central Telephone Cooperative follows Federal Communications Commission Part 32 accounting requirements for regulated local exchange carriers and Part 36 separations provisions used to determine high cost support amounts. As a regulated utility, North Central Telephone Cooperative's

accounting and separations procedures are subject to periodic National Exchange Carrier Association and Kentucky Public Service Commission reviews.

- 5. While continuing to receive the estimated amount of Federal Universal Service support as described and using this support for the purposes as described, North Central Telephone Cooperative does not anticipate withdrawing any services; therefore, the comparability of rates and service between the rural area served by North Central Telephone Cooperative and the urban areas of Kentucky will not be changed because of any action on the part of North Central Telephone Cooperative.
- 6. The matters addressed above are within my personal knowledge and are true and correct.

Nancy J. White

Sworn and subscribed before me, the undersigned authority, on this the 24<sup>th</sup> day of September , 2013.

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Notary Public, State of Tennessee

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- 3. Pursuant to the requirements of 47 C.F.R. § 54.314, North Central Communications hereby certifies all federal high-cost support provided to the Company was used in the preceding calendar year (2012) and will be used in the coming calendar year (2014) only 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 § 54.101(a), which are available to any customer in the Company's service area: voice grade access to the public switched network or its functional equivalent; minutes of use for local service provided at no additional charge to end users; access to the emergency services provided by local government or other public safety organizations, such as 911 and enhanced 911, to the extent the local government in an eligible carrier's service area has implemented 911 or enhanced 911 systems; and toll limitation services to qualifying low-income consumers.
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