

AFFIDAVIT OF RON SMITH

I, the undersigned Ron Smith, do hereby declare under penalty of perjury as follows.

1. I am the authorized representative of Bluegrass Wireless LLC, Kentucky RSA #3 Cellular General Partnership, Kentucky RSA #4 Cellular General Partnership, and Cumberland Cellular Partnership (collectively, "Bluegrass Cellular"). I am personally familiar with the Federal Universal Service High-Cost Support received by Bluegrass Cellular and how these funds are used by Bluegrass Cellular.

2. Bluegrass Wireless LLC was designated as an eligible telecommunications carrier by the Kentucky Public Service Commission in Case No. 2005-00017 by order dated July 8, 2005.

3. Kentucky RSA #4 Cellular General Partnership was designated as an eligible telecommunications carrier by the Kentucky Public Service Commission in Case No. 2005-00018 by order dated July 8, 2005.

4. Kentucky RSA #3 Cellular General Partnership was designated as an eligible telecommunications carrier by the Kentucky Public Service Commission in Case No. 2005-00019 by order dated July 8, 2005.

5. Cumberland Cellular Partnership was designated as an eligible telecommunications carrier by the Kentucky Public Service Commission in Case No. 2005-00020 by order dated July 8, 2005.

6. Bluegrass Cellular estimates that it will receive a total of \$1,232,157.00 of Federal Universal Service High-Cost Support during the January 1, 2016 to December 31, 2016

time period. As stated above, Bluegrass Cellular consists of four entities (*see* Paragraph 1). The total amount of \$1,232,157.00 is composed of the following estimates per entity: a) Bluegrass Wireless LLC will receive \$0.00; b) Kentucky RSA #4 Cellular General Partnership will receive \$155,575; c) Kentucky RSA #3 Cellular General Partnership will receive \$236,475; and d) Cumberland Cellular Partnership will receive \$840,107.

7. The Federal Universal Service Support funds Bluegrass Cellular received in the preceding calendar year were 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 1996. These funds were used to provide the following supported services, as outlined in 47 C.F.R. § 54.101(a), which are available to any customer in Bluegrass Cellular's service area: 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.

8. The Federal Universal Service Support funds Bluegrass Cellular receives during 2016 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 1996. These funds will be used to provide the following supported services, as outlined in 47 C.F.R. § 54.101(a), which are available to any customer in Bluegrass Cellular's service area: 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.

9. Bluegrass Cellular 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.

10. While continuing to receive the estimated amount of Federal Universal Service support as described and using this support for the purposes as described, Bluegrass Cellular does not anticipate increasing local rates nor withdrawing any services; therefore, the comparability of rates and service between the rural areas served by Bluegrass Cellular and the urban areas of Kentucky will not be changed because of any action on the part of Bluegrass Cellular.

11. Bluegrass Cellular placed One (1) new cell sites into service last year: a) Zero (0) for Kentucky RSA #3 Cellular General Partnership; b) Zero (0) for Kentucky RSA #4 Cellular General Partnership; c) Zero (0) for Cumberland Cellular Partnership; and d) One (1) for Bluegrass Wireless LLC. Bluegrass Cellular received 0.0056 “trouble reports” per 1,000 handsets last year, and did not receive any unfulfilled requests for service in its service area.

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



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Ron Smith
Authorized Representative
Bluegrass Wireless LLC, Kentucky RSA #3
Cellular General Partnership, Kentucky RSA
#4 Cellular General Partnership and
Cumberland Cellular Partnership

COUNTY OF Kentucky)
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STATE OF KENTUCKY)

Sworn and subscribed before me, the undersigned authority, on this the 28th day of August, 2015.

Elizabeth Lane #454188
Notary Public, State of Kentucky

My Commission expires 11-21-15.

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