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August 14, 2006

The Honorable Sara Kyle, Chairman
Tennessee Regulatory Authority
460 James Robertson Parkway
Nashville, TN 37243-0505

RE: TRA Docket No. 06-00180
Section 254(e) Certification of
Ben Lomand Communications, Inc.
Study Area Code 299001
To Receive USF Disbursements
In Calendar Year 2007

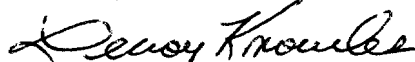
Dear Chairman Kyle,

Attached hereto is the Certification Letter of Levoy Knowles, Executive Vice-President of Ben Lomand Communications, Inc. (the "Company"), certifying that the Company is in compliance with the requirements of Section 254(e) and the requirements established by the Federal Communications Commission ("FCC") in **In the Matter of Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service, Fourteenth Report and Order, Twenty-Second Order on Reconsideration, and Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking in CC Docket No 96-45 and Report and Order in CC Docket No. 00-256**, CC Docket Nos. 96-45 and 00-256, FCC 01-157, released May 23, 2001. Also attached is a report regarding our 2004 support payments in response to Ms. Darlene Standley's August 1, 2006 letter.

Based on the foregoing, the Company respectfully requests that the Tennessee Regulatory Authority certify by no later than October 1, 2006 to the FCC and the Universal Service Administrative Company that the Company is in compliance with its obligations under Section 254 (e) of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended.

In addition to this original, I am submitting a date "stamp and return" copy (and accompanying postage prepaid, self-addressed envelope) that I ask you to please use for this purpose. Should you have questions or need additional information you may contact me at 931-668-4131.

Sincerely,
Ben Lomand Communications



Levoy Knowles
Executive Vice-President

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Attachments

cc: Darlene Standley
Chief, Telecommunications Division





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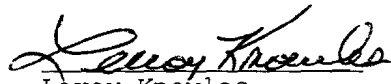
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Dear Chairman Kyle,

I, Levoy Knowles, Executive Vice-President of Ben Lomand Communications, Inc. (the "Company") do hereby certify under penalty of perjury that the following is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge and belief:

1. I am the Executive Vice-President of the Company;
2. The Company is subject to the jurisdiction of the Tennessee Regulatory Authority;
3. The Company is eligible for disbursements for the Federal Universal Service Fund ("USF") as prescribed by the Federal Communications Commission and
4. The Company will utilize its USF disbursements for high cost support (including any high cost loop support, local switching support, high cost support received pursuant to the purchase of exchanges, high cost model support, and hold harmless support for which it is eligible) received in 2007 only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended, consistent with Section 254(e) of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended.

Sincerely Yours,


Levoy Knowles
Executive Vice-President

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Ben Lomand Communications, Inc.
Universal Service Payments Received-2005

Study Area Code 299001

| | High Cost & IAS Support | Lifeline & Linkup |
|-----------|--|--------------------------------------|
| January | 17,115.00 | 5,220.00 |
| February | 1,882.00 | 4,931.00 |
| March | 2,842.00 | 5,457.00 |
| April | 2,842.00 | 5,100.00 |
| May | 2,842.00 | 2,460.00 |
| June | 2,699.00 | 5,573.00 |
| July | 2,816.00 | 5,088.00 |
| August | 2,816.00 | 4,749.00 |
| September | 2,749.00 | 5,045.00 |
| October | 2,995.00 | 5,322.00 |
| November | 2,995.00 | 2,138.00 |
| December | 3,147.00 | 4,967.00 |
| | 47,740.00 | 56,050.00 |

Ben Lomand Communications, Inc. is a facilities based CLEC and does not make a cost allocation of USF funds.

The Lifeline and Linkup Funds were used to reduce installation charges and monthly charges to eligible low income customers.

The High Cost & IAS funds were used to maintain the outside plant and to upgrade the remotes.