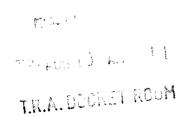
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Via Fed Ex

August 17, 2006

Ms. Darlene Standley, Chief Utilities Division Tennessee Regulatory Authority 460 James Robertson Parkway Nashville, TN 37243-0505

Re: TRA Docket No. 06-00180, Certification of the Carriers Receiving Universal Service High-Cost Support

Dear Ms. Standley:

Enclosed for filing in the above referenced matter is an original and thirteen copies of the Affidavit of Robert A. Bye, Vice President and General Counsel for Cinergy Communications Company. This filing is made in response to the Tennessee Regulatory Authority request in Docket No. 06-00180 in which carriers were ordered to file with their plans for use of high-cost federal support by August 25, 2006.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions or need additional information.

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John Chuang

Sincerely.

Corporate Counsel

Enclosure

STATE OF KANSAS	)
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COUNTY OF JOHNSON	Ò

## Affidavit of Robert A. Bye

Robert A. Bye, being duly sworn upon oath, deposes and states as follows:

- 1. My name is Robert A. Bye and I am Vice President and General Counsel for Cinergy Communications Company ("CCC"). My business address is 8829 Bond Street, Overland Park, KS 66214.
- 2. I have personal knowledge of the facts stated herein. I am competent to testify to the facts, which are stated to the best of my knowledge and recollection.
- 3. CCC was designated an eligible telecommunications carrier by the Tennessee Regulatory Authority ("TRA") in Docket Number 06-00033 by order dated March 30, 2006 and is eligible to receive universal service support pursuant to Section 254(e) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996 ("Act").
- 4. CCC is a common carrier and provides all services and functionalities supported by the federal universal service program as set forth in Section 214(e) of the Telecommunications Act and 47 CFR Section 54.101(a) of the FCC's rules, throughout the service area for which it has ETC designation in Tennessee.
- 5. CCC files this affidavit in compliance with the TRA's August 1, 2006 request in Docket No. 06-00180 in which carriers were ordered to file with the TRA their plans for use of high-cost federal support by August 25, 2006.
- 6. CCC certifies that all high-cost universal service support funding that it receives for Tennessee will be used only for the provision, maintenance and upgrading of

the services and facilities for which the support is intended pursuant to Section 254(e) of the Act.

7. CCC's SAC number for the state of Tennessee is 299008. CCC has yet to receive any support from the Universal Service Funds for the state of Tennessee.

This concludes my affidavit.

Robert A. Bye

Vice President and General Counsel Cinergy Communications Company

Subscribed and sworn to before me this  $\frac{1}{2}$  day of August, 2006.

Notary Public

REGINA M. SPENCER Notary Public - State of Kansas My Appt. Expires 11-19-2009