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# TENNESSEE REGULATORY AUTHORITY



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460 James Robertson Parkway  
Nashville, Tennessee 37243-0505

July 23, 2008

Mr. William C. Hanchey  
CenturyTel of Claiborne, Inc.  
100 N. Union St. #132  
Montgomery, AL 37243

Dear Mr. Hanchey:

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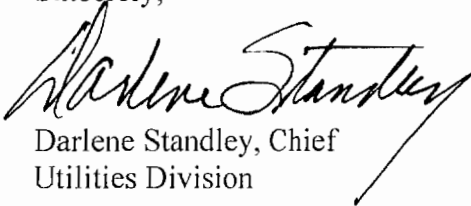
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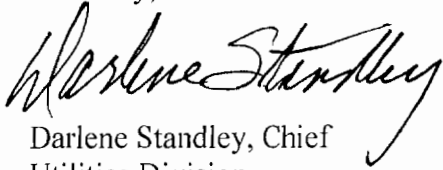
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Bledsoe Telephone Cooperative  
PO Box 609  
Pikeville, TN 37367

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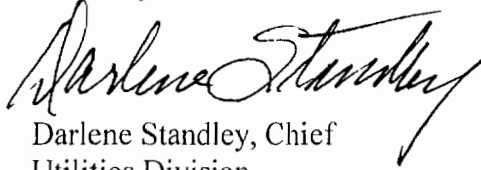
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Budget Phone, Inc.  
PO Box 19360  
Shreveport, LA 71149

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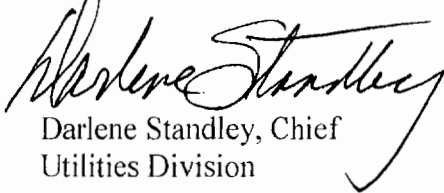
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Ben Lomand Communications  
PO Box 8262  
McMinnville, TN 37111

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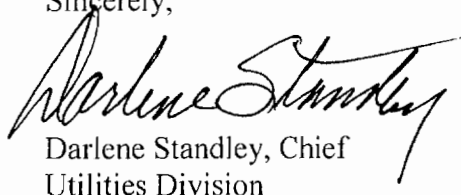
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VCI Company  
3875 Steilacoom Blvd, SW #A  
Lakewood, WA 98499

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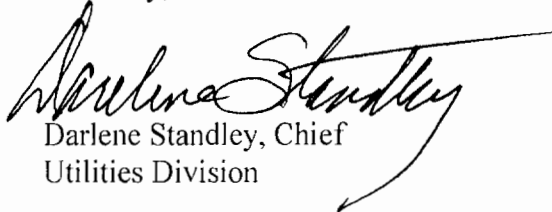
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PO Box 8  
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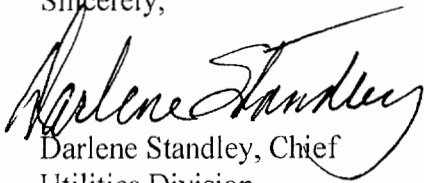
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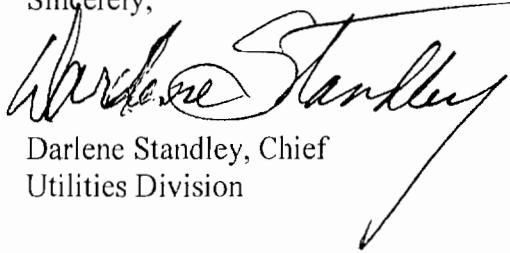
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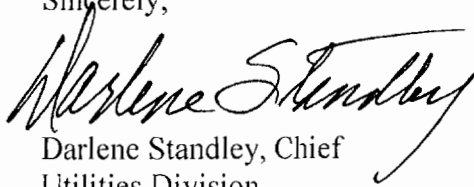
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Citizens, d/b/a Frontier Communications  
300 Bland St.  
Bluefield, WV 24701

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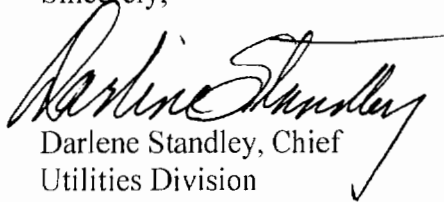
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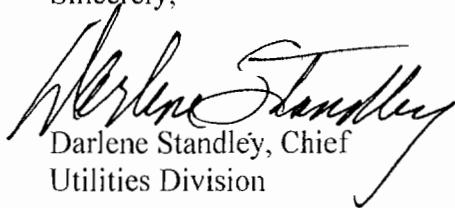
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Sincerely,



Darlene Standley, Chief  
Utilities Division

# TENNESSEE REGULATORY AUTHORITY



460 James Robertson Parkway  
Nashville, Tennessee 37243-0505

July 23, 2008

Mr. William C. Hanchey  
CenturyTel of Ooltewah-Collegedale, Inc.  
100 N. Union St. #132  
Montgomery, AL 37243

Dear Mr. Hanchey:

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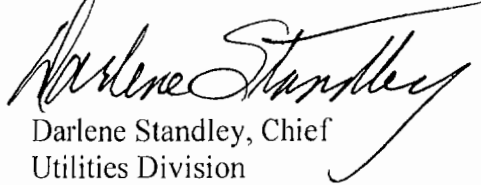
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Mr. Frederick Parker  
Tellico Telephone Company  
PO Box 9  
Tellico Plains, TN 37385

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Millington Telephone Company  
4880 Navy Road  
Millington, TN 38053

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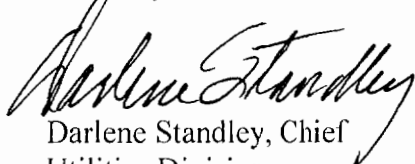
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Ms. Louise Brown  
Loretto Telephone Company  
PO Box 130  
Loretto, TN 38469

Dear Ms. Brown:

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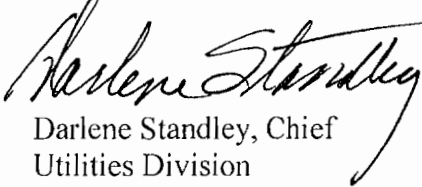
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Humphrey's County Telephone Company  
PO Box 552  
New Johnsonville, TN 37134

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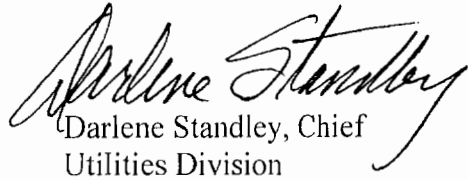
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Crocket Telephone Company  
PO Box 20  
Bradford, TN 38316

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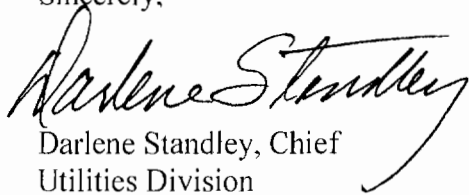
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West Tennessee Telephone Company  
PO Box 20  
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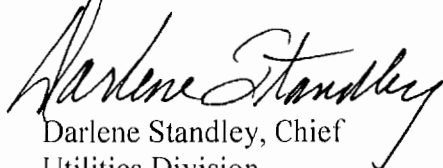
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United Telephone Company  
PO Box 38  
Chapel Hill, TN 37034

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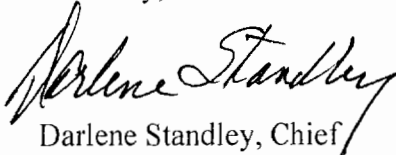
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Bruceton, TN 38317

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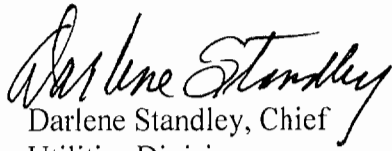
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