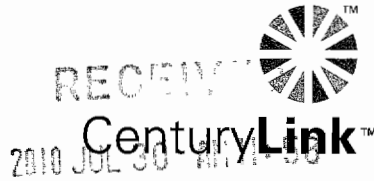


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T.R.A. DOCKET 10-00140

July 20, 2010

David Foster
Tennessee Regulatory Authority
460 James Robertson Parkway
Nashville, TN 37243-0505

Re: Rural Incumbent Local Exchange Carrier ETC Self-Certification of Eligibility to
Receive Rural Universal Service Funds for Fiscal Year 2011. Docket No. 10-00140.
CenturyTel of Claiborne, Inc. dba CenturyLink
CenturyTel of Adamsville, Inc. dba CenturyLink
CenturyTel of Ooltewah-Collegedale, Inc. dba CenturyLink
United Telephone Southeast, LLC dba CenturyLink

Dear David:

Enclosed please find the signed and notarized affidavits for the above mentioned companies in regards to the State Certifications for Universal Service. The affidavits confirm the Companies status as Eligible Telecommunications Carriers and how each Company applies universal service funds.

The Companies hereby request that the Tennessee Regulatory Authority submits a letter to the Federal Communications Commission ('FCC') and the Universal Service Administration Company ('USAC') prior to October 1, 2010, verifying that the Companies are in compliance with section 245(e) of the Telecommunications Act and notifying them that the Companies are eligible to receive federal universal service support in accordance with section 254(e) of the Telecommunications Act and 47 C.F.R. §54.314. Attached for filing with the FCC and USAC is an affidavit attesting to the fact that any Federal Universal Service Funds the Companies may receive will be used as intended in compliance with the Telecommunications Act.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter. Please contact me if you have any questions at (318) 362-1246, or Pam Wescott at (615) 255-0155.

Sincerely,

Amy Young
Regulatory Analyst

Enclosures

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TN REGULATORY AUTHORITY
UTILITIES DIVISION

DESIGNATION OF COMMON CARRIERS AS ELIGIBLE TELECOMMUNICATIONS CARRIERS
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COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION’S REPORT AND ORDER ADOPTING A STATE
CERTIFICATION PROCESS

STATE OF LOUISIANA

PARISH OF OUACHITA

BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority, on this day personally appeared Jeffrey S. Glover of CenturyTel of Adamsville, Inc. dba CenturyLink (‘Company’), who on his oath deposed and said:

1. My name is Jeffrey S. Glover. I am employed by the Company in the position of Vice President of Regulatory Operations and Policy. In this position, I am personally familiar with the Federal Universal Service support received by the Company and how the Company uses these funds.

2. The Company was designated as an eligible telecommunications carrier by the Tennessee Regulatory Authority.

3. All Federal High Cost Support, including 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, received by the Company are used only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities for which the support is intended, as designated by the Federal Communications Commission consistent with 47 U.S.C. §254(e) of the Federal Telecommunications Act of 1996. These funds will be used to provide the following supported services as designated in 47 C.F.R. § 54.101 which are available throughout the Company’s study area:

- (a) voice grade access to the public switched network;
- (b) local usage;
- (c) dual tone multi frequency signaling, or its functional equivalent;
- (d) single party service, or its functional equivalent;
- (e) access to emergency services, including 911 and enhanced 911 service to the extent the local government in the eligible carrier’s service area has implemented 911 or enhanced 911 systems;
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- (g) access to interexchange service;
- (h) access to directory assistance;
- (i) toll blocking for qualifying low-income customers; and
- (j) toll limitation control for qualifying low-income customers.

4. During the previous calendar year, 2009, the Company received \$2,450,624 in total federal universal support. Of this amount, \$1,359,036 was from high cost loop, \$220,496 was from local switching support, and \$871,092 was from interstate common line support. Interstate common line support is certified by the Federal Communications Commission through a separate certification process.

5. The Company is assigned Study Area Code ('SAC') number: 290552.

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

FURTHER AFFIANT SAYETH NOT.


Jeffrey Glover
Vice President of Regulatory Operations and Policy

Subscribed to and sworn before me this 22nd day of July, 2010.


Notary Public #17193

KENNETH L. VINCENT
Printed Name of Notary

My Commission Expires: FOR LIFE

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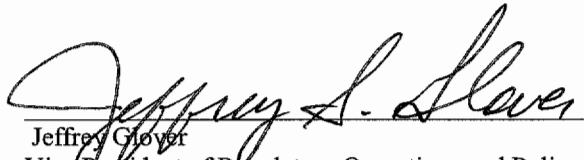
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 - (i) toll blocking for qualifying low-income customers; and
 - (j) toll limitation control for qualifying low-income customers.

4. During the previous calendar year, 2009, the Company received \$2,237,853 in total federal universal support. Of this amount, \$1,327,101 was from high cost loop, \$145,161 was from local switching support, and \$765,591 was from interstate common line support. Interstate common line support is certified by the Federal Communications Commission through a separate certification process.

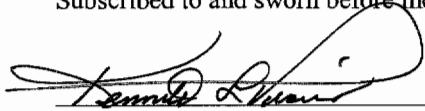
5. The Company is assigned Study Area Code ('SAC') number: 290557.

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

FURTHER AFFIANT SAYETH NOT.


Jeffrey Glover
Vice President of Regulatory Operations and Policy

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Kenneth L. Vincent # 17193
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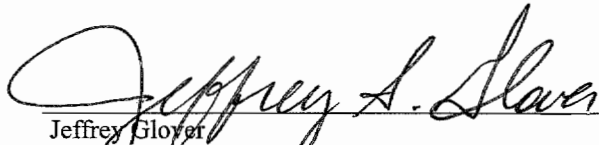
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- (j) toll limitation control for qualifying low-income customers.

4. During the previous calendar year, 2009, the Company received \$2,533,150 in total federal universal support. Of this amount, \$1,265,814 was from high cost loop, \$385,750 was from local switching support, and \$881,586 was from interstate common line support. Interstate common line support is certified by the Federal Communications Commission through a separate certification process.

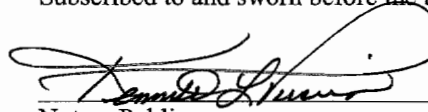
5. The Company is assigned Study Area Code ('SAC') number: 290574.

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

FURTHER AFFIANT SAYETH NOT.


Jeffrey Glover
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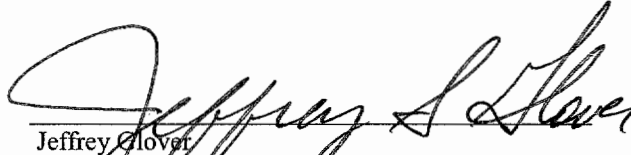
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 - (h) access to directory assistance;
 - (i) toll blocking for qualifying low-income customers; and
 - (j) toll limitation control for qualifying low-income customers.

4. During the previous calendar year, 2009, the Company received \$1,555,459 in federal universal support. This entire amount was from interstate access support. Interstate access support is certified by the Federal Communications Commission through a separate certification process.

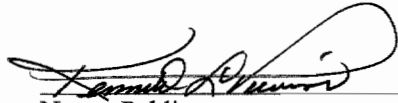
5. The Company is assigned Study Area Code ('SAC') number: 290567.

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

FURTHER AFFIANT SAYETH NOT.


Jeffrey Glover
Vice President of Regulatory Operations and Policy

Subscribed to and sworn before me this 30th day of July, 2010.


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