



August 3, 2010

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

Re: TRA Docket No. 10-00140

Section 254(e) Certification of Citizens Telecommunications Company of Tennessee LLC and Citizens Telecommunications Company of the Volunteer State LLC to Receive USF Disbursements in Calendar Year 2011

Dear Chairman Kyle:

Enclosed please find:

- 1. Certification letters signed by Gregg C. Sayre.
- Statements of 2009 federal Universal Service receipts subject to certification and the 2009 expenditures for provision, maintenance and upgrading of facilities and services supported by federal Universal Service funding.
- 3. 13 copies of each filing.

If there are any questions, please feel free to contact me at 585-777-5823.

Sincerely,

Deborah Fasciano Regulatory Compliance

**Enclosure** 



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## Dear Chairman Kyle:

I, Gregg C. Sayre, Assistant Secretary of Citizens Telecommunications Company of Tennessee LLC (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 Assistant Secretary of the Company;
- 2. The Company is a "rural telephone company" as defined in 47 U.S.C. §153(37), subject to the jurisdiction of the Tennessee Regulatory Authority; The SAC # is 294336
- 3. The Company is eligible for disbursements from the federal Universal Service Fund ("USF") as prescribed by the Federal Communications Commission ("FCC"); and
- 4. The Company will utilize its USF disbursements for 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, will be used only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended, consistent with 47 U.S.C. § 254(e) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996.

Sincerely yours,

Assistant Secretary

## Citizens Telecommunications Company of Tennessee

Year 2009 Federal Universal Service Receipts Subject To Certification.

Year 2009 Expenditures For Provision, Maintenance, and Upgrading Of Facilities and Services Supported By Federal Universal Service Funding

74.2% 12.2% 13.6% 100.0%

| Plant Specific Operations Expenses  | Actual 2009                               |                          |   |   |
|---|---|--------------------------|---|---|
| 4 Network support (Accts. 6110-16)<br>5 General support (Accts. 6120-24)<br>6 Central office (Accts. 6210-6215) | \$76<br>\$2,426,870<br>\$1.356,685        | Maintenance<br>Provision | \$24,935,005<br>\$4,104,058<br>\$4,55,811 |   |
| 7 Cable and wire facilities (Accts. 6410-6441)<br>8 Network operations (Accts. 6530-35)                         | \$4,104,058<br>\$4,104,058<br>\$3.354,876 | Total                    | \$33,614,874<br>\$33,614,874              | • |
| 9 Depreciation & amortization (Accts. 6560-65)  | \$11,522,883                              |                          |   |   |
| 10 Customer Operations Expenses   |   |                          |   |   |
| 11 Customer services (Accts. 6620-23)   | \$2,602,716                               |                          |   |   |
| Corporate Operations Expenses   |   |                          |   |   |
| 12 Executive and planning (Accts. 6710-12)  | \$586,160<br>\$3,084,739                  |                          |   |   |
| 14 Total Year 2009 Supported Expenses,<br>Before Return on Investment   | \$29,039,063                              |                          |   |   |
| Additions   |   |                          |   |   |
| 15 Total central office switching (Acct. 2210)<br>16 Total cable and wire (Acct. 2410)<br>17 TOTAL              | \$485,522<br>\$4,090,289<br>\$4,575,811   |                          |   |   |
| 18 Total Year 2009 Supported Expenditures<br>Before Return On Investment  | \$33,614,874                              |                          |   |   |





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## Dear Chairman Kyle:

I, Gregg C. Sayre, Assistant Secretary of Citizens Telecommunications Company of the Volunteer State LLC (the "Company"), do hereby certify under penalty of perjury that the following is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge and belief:

- I am the Assistant Secretary of the Company;
- 2. The Company is a "rural telephone company" as defined in 47 U.S.C. § 153(37), subject to the jurisdiction of the Tennessee Regulatory Authority; The SAC # is 290580
- 3. The Company is eligible for disbursements from the federal Universal Service Fund ("USF") as prescribed by the Federal Communications Commission ("FCC"); and
- 4. The Company will utilize its USF disbursements for 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, will be used only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended, consistent with 47 U.S.C. § 254(e) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996.

Sincerely yours,

Assistant Secretary

## Citizens Telecommunications Company of the Volunteer State

Year 2009 Federal Universal Service Receipts Subject To Certification.

| 1 High cost loop support  | \$0       |
|---------------------------|-----------|
| 2 Local switching support | \$231,279 |
| 3 TOTAL                   | \$231.279 |

Year 2009 Expenditures For Provision, Maintenance, and Upgrading Of Facilities and Services Supported By Federal Universal Service Funding

Actual 2009

Plant Specific Operations Expenses

| 4 Network support (Accts. 6110-16)   | \$21                                   | Maintenance | \$6,612,179 | 76.8%  |
|--|--|-------------|-------------|--------|
| 5 General support (Accts. 6120-24)   | \$647,776                              | Provision   | \$865,862   | 10.1%  |
| 6 Central office (Accts. 6210-6215)  | \$264,891                              | Upgrade     | \$1,134,999 | 13.2%  |
| 7 Cable and wire facilities (Accts. 6410-6441)   | \$865,862                              | Total       | \$8,613,040 | 100.0% |
| 8 Network operations (Accts. 6530-35)  | \$866,684                              |             | \$8,613,040 |        |
| 9 Depreciation & amortization (Accts. 6560-65)   | \$3,186,592                            |             |             |        |
| 10 Customer Operations Expenses  |  |             |             |        |
| 11 Customer services (Accts. 6620-23)  | \$799,677                              |             |             |        |
| Corporate Operations Expenses  |  |             |             |        |
| 12 Executive and planning (Accts. 6710-12)<br>13 General and administrative (Accts. 6720-28)       | \$153,921<br>\$692,617                 |             |             |        |
| 14 Total Year 2009 Supported Expenses,<br>Before Return on Investment                              | \$7,478,041                            |             |             |        |
| Additions  |  |             |             |        |
| 15 Total central office switching (Acct. 2210)<br>16 Total cable and wire (Acct. 2410)<br>17 TOTAL | \$64,965<br>\$1,070,034<br>\$1,134,999 |             |             |        |
| 18 Total Year 2009 Supported Expenditures<br>Before Return On Investment                           | \$8,613,040                            |             |             |        |