

# Budget PrePay<sup>INC.</sup>

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August 3, 2010

Mr. David Foster, Chief  
Utilities Division  
Tennessee Regulatory Authority  
460 James Robertson Parkway  
Nashville, TN 37243-0505

RE: TRA Docket No: 10-00140; Rural Incumbent Local Exchange Carrier ETC Self-Certification of Eligibility of Budget PrePay, Inc. to receive Rural Universal Service Funds in Study area Code 299007 for Fiscal Year 2011.

Dear Mr. Foster,

Budget PrePay, Inc. ("Company") herby provides the required certification and requested information regarding the amount and allocation of support received

## CERTIFICATION

On behalf of the Company, I David E. Donahue, and officer of the Company with substantial knowledge of the Company's operations, 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 CFO of the Company;
2. The Company is certified as a "rural telephone company" as defined in 47 U.S.C & 153 (37), subject to the jurisdiction of the TRA;
3. As such, the Company is eligible to receive disbursements from the federal Universal Service Fund as prescribed by the Federal Communications Commission; and
4. The Company will utilize all federal high cost support only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for with the support is intended, consistent with 47 U.S.C. § 254(e) of the Telecommunication Act of 1996.

Respectfully,

David E. Donahue  
CFO

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Dear Mr. Foster,

Pursuant to 47 CFR 54.314, state commissions must file and annual certification with the Federal Communications Commission ("FCC") and the Universal Service Administrative Company ("USAC") stating that all federal high-cost support provided to rural incumbent local exchange carriers and/or eligible telecommunications carriers has been used only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support beginning January 1 of each year, the Commission must file it annual certification on or before October 1 of the year before.

In accordance with 47 CFR 54.314, this letter is to request that the Tennessee Regulatory Authority Commission ("Commission") file a certification with the FCC and USAC, stating that 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 provided to Budget PrePay, Inc. has been used only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for with the support is intended, consistent with 47 U.S.C. § 254(e) of the Telecommunication Act of 1996. Competitive ETC designated for low income only are to use funds received as discounts or qualified consumers.

In support of this request, attached hereto as "Attachment 1" is affidavit, executed by an officer of Budget PrePay, Inc. attesting that the federal high-cost support, including high cost loop support, local switching support, high-cost support received pursuant to the purchase of

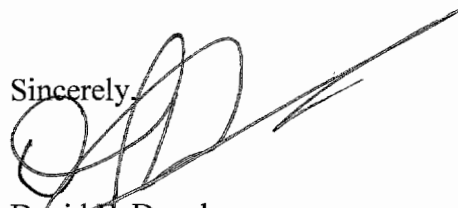
exchanges, high-cost model support, and hold harmless support provided to Budget PrePay, Inc. has been used only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended.

For the Fiscal 2009, the Company received the following amounts of support for each of the available High Cost Mechanisms for study Area Code 299007; \$0 for High Cost Model, \$0 for High Cost Loop Support, \$0 for Safety Net Additive Support, \$0 for Safety Valve Support, a (\$121.00) for Intrastate Access Support, \$0 for Local Switching Support, and \$0 for Interstate Common Line Support.

The funds that were allocated for Interstate Access Support (IAS) is available to competitive carriers operating in the service areas of price-cap Incumbent carriers and designated as ETCs by the state commission or FCC. IAS helps to offset interstate access charges in order to reduce the cost of long distance charges incurred by end users and is targeted to zones with low customer density. Both AT&T of Tennessee and Budget are eligible to receive IAS on serving lines in areas where the companies are unable to recover permitted revenues from newly revised subscriber line charge.

In order for Budget PrePay, Inc. to receive support for the first, second, third, and fourth quarters of 2011, Budget PrePay, Inc. respectfully requests that the Commission notify the FCC and USAC no later than October 1, 2010, that 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 provided to Budget PrePay, Inc. has been used only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended.

Sincerely,



David B. Donahue  
CFO

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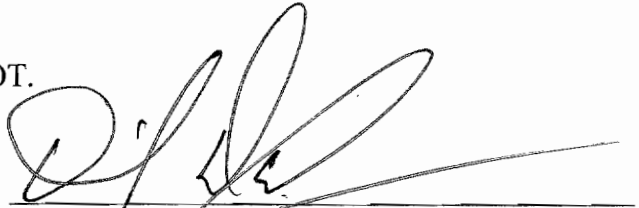
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BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority appeared DAVID E DONAHUE, who deposed and stated:

1. My name is DAVID E DONAHUE, I am employed by BUDGET PREPAY, INC as its CFO. I am an officer of BUDGET PREPAY, INC and am authorized to give this affidavit on behalf of BUDGET PREPAY, INC. This affidavit is being given to support the Florida Public Service Commission's certification as required by 47 CFR 54.314.

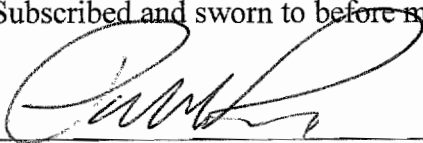
2. BUDGET PREPAY, INC hereby certifies that it has used all federal high-cost support it has received have been used only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended pursuant to Section 254(e) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996.

FURTHER AFFIANT SAYETH NOT.



DAVID E DONAHUE,  
PRESIDENT, BUDGET PREPAY, INC.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 3 day of August 2010.



NOTARY REPUBLIC

My Commission Expires:  
(Notary Seal)

**PATRICK D. NIX**  
**NOTARY PUBLIC, #35044**  
**CADDO PARISH LOUISIANA**  
**My Commission is for Life**