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David Foster
Tennessee Regulatory Authority
460 James Robertson Parkway
Nashville, TN 37243-0505
(615)741-2904

Re: Rural Incumbent Local Exchange Carrier ETC Self-Certification of Eligibility to
Receive Rural Universal Service Funds for 2013. Docket No. 12-00074.
CenturyTel of Claiborne, Inc. d/b/a CenturyLink
CenturyTel of Adamsville, Inc. d/b/a CenturyLink
CenturyTel of Ooltewah-Collegedale, Inc. d/b/a CenturyLink

Dear Mr. Foster:

Enclosed please find the signed and notarized affidavits for the above mentioned companies in regards to the State Certifications for Universal Service. Please note, per your email to Pam Wescott dated July 5, 2011, United Telephone Southwest, LLC d/b/a CenturyLink is not submitting an affidavit as it does not currently qualify for high cost funding.

The Companies hereby request that the Tennessee Regulatory Authority submit a letter to the Federal Communications Commission ('FCC') and the Universal Service Administration Company ('USAC') prior to October 1, 2012, 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 Amy Young if you have any questions at (318) 362-1246, or me at (615) 986-2727.

Sincerely,

Pam Wescott

Enclosures

DESIGNATION OF COMMON CARRIERS AS ELIGIBLE
TELECOMMUNICATIONS CARRIERS ('ETC') TO RECEIVE FEDERAL
UNIVERSAL FUNDS PURSUANT TO THE FEDERAL 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 David D. Cole for CenturyTel of Adamsville, Inc. d/b/a CenturyLink ('Company'), who on his oath deposed and said:

1. My name is David D. Cole. I am employed by CenturyLink, Inc. in the position of Senior Vice President and Controller. I am an officer of the Company and 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 was used in the preceding calendar year and will be used in the coming calendar year 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 supported services as designated in 47 C.F.R. § 54.101 which are available throughout the Company's study area.

4. During the previous calendar year, 2011, the Company received \$1,827,278 in total federal universal support. Of this amount, \$857,750 was from high cost loop, \$206,652 was from local switching support, and \$762,876 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.

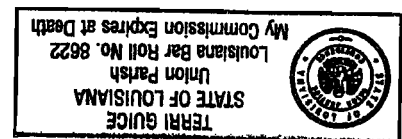
FURTHER AFFIANT SAYETH NOT.


David D. Cole
Senior Vice President and Controller

Subscribed to and sworn before me this 9th day of July, 2012.


Notary Public

Terri Guice
Printed Name of Notary



My Commission Expires: at death



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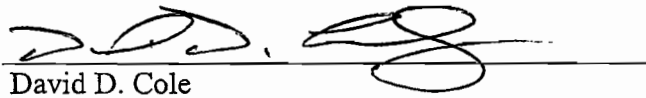
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2. The Company was designated as an eligible telecommunications carrier by the Tennessee Regulatory Authority.
3. All Federal High Cost Support, including high cost loop support, local switching support, high-cost support received pursuant to the purchase of exchanges, high-cost model support, and hold harmless support, received by the Company was used in the preceding calendar year and will be used in the coming calendar year 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 supported services as designated in 47 C.F.R. § 54.101 which are available throughout the Company's study area.

4. During the previous calendar year, 2011, the Company received \$1,586,785 in total federal universal support. Of this amount, \$752,140 was from high cost loop, \$170,328 was from local switching support, and \$664,317 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.

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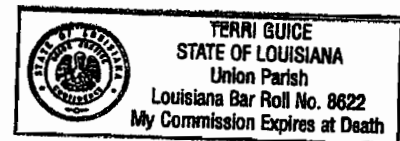

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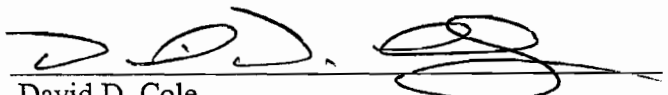
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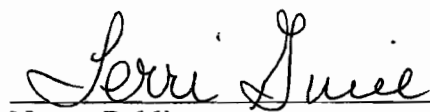
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4. During the previous calendar year, 2011, the Company received \$2,188,145 in total federal universal support. Of this amount, \$1,144,583 was from high cost loop, \$373,296 was from local switching support, and \$670,266 was from interstate common 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.

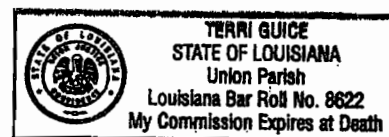
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