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14111 Capital Boulevard
Wake Forest, NC 27587



September 30, 2013

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

Re: Certification of Eligibility to Receive Universal Service Funds for 2013
Docket No. 13-00112
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
United Telephone Southwest, LLC 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.

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 December 16, 2013, 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 (615) 986-2727.

Sincerely,

Pam Wescott
Regulatory and Legislative Affairs Director

Enclosures

DESIGNATION OF COMMON CARRIERS AS ELIGIBLE
TELECOMMUNICATIONS CARRIERS ('ETC') TO RECEIVE FEDERAL
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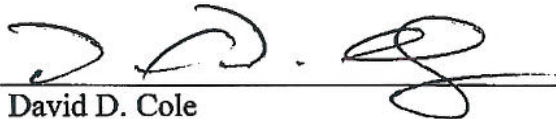
PARISH OF OUACHITA

BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority, on this day personally appeared David D. Cole for United Telephone Company Southeast, LLC d/b/a CenturyLink (Tennessee) ('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 received by the Company in Tennessee 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, 2012, the Company received \$1,725,225 in total federal universal service support. Of this amount, \$1,649,760 was from frozen high cost support, \$101,448 was from intercarrier compensation support, and (\$25,983) was from true-ups or adjustments to prior year interstate access support.
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.

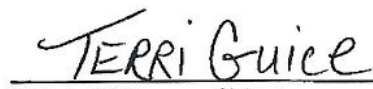


David D. Cole
Senior Vice President and Controller

Subscribed to and sworn before me this ^{9th} 26 day of September, 2012.

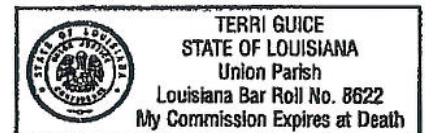


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BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority, on this day personally appeared David D. Cole for CenturyTel of Adamsville, Inc. d/b/a CenturyLink ('Company'), who on his oath deposed and said:

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 received by the Company in Tennessee 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, 2012, the Company received \$1,917,336 in total federal universal service support. Of this amount, \$1,848,816 was from frozen high cost support, \$13,374 was from intercarrier compensation support, and \$55,146 was from true-ups or adjustments to prior year high cost loop and local switching support.
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.



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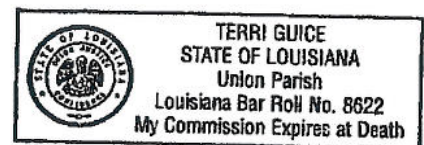
Subscribed to and sworn before me this 26th day of September, 2012.



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BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority, on this day personally appeared David D. Cole for CenturyTel of Claiborne, 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 received by the Company in Tennessee 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, 2012, the Company received \$1,662,351 in total federal universal service support. Of this amount, \$1,604,220 was from frozen high cost support, \$15,630 was from intercarrier compensation support, and \$42,501 was from true-ups or adjustments to prior year high cost loop and local switching support.
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.


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BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority, on this day personally appeared David D. Cole for CenturyTel of Ooltewah-Collegedale, 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 received by the Company in Tennessee 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.

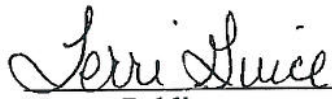
4. During the previous calendar year, 2012, the Company received \$2,336,511 in total federal universal service support. Of this amount, \$2,298,540 was from frozen high cost support, \$6,060 was from intercarrier compensation support, and \$31,911 was from true-ups or adjustments to prior year high cost loop, local switching support, and safety net additive.
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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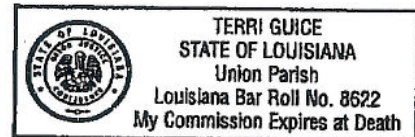
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