



July 31, 2015

John Hutton
Tennessee Regulatory Authority
Utilities Division
502 Deaderick Street, 4th Floor
Nashville, Tennessee 37243

Re: TRA Docket No. ~~14-00071~~ ¹⁵⁻⁰⁰⁰⁶⁸
Section 254(e) Certification of
United Telephone Company
To Receive USF Disbursements
In Calendar Year 2016

Dear Mr. John Hutton:

Attached hereto is the Certification Letter of Tommy Welch, certifying that United Telephone Company d/b/a United Communications (the "Company") is in compliance with the requirements of Section 254(e) and the requirements established by the Commission In the Matter of Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service, CC Docket Nos. 96-45 and 00-256, Fourteenth Report and Order, Twenty-Second Order on Reconsideration, and Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking in CC Docket No. 96-45 and Report and Order in CC Docket No. 00-256 (FCC 01-157) (released May 23, 2001) ("Order") and codified at 47 C.F.R. & 54.314.

United Telephone Company d/b/a United Communications (SAC number 290581) received \$4,507,133 in Universal Service Funds in 2014. The funds were used for regulated plant investments and regulated operations.

I am submitting thirteen copies of this letter, pursuant to TRA Rule 1220-1-1-03. In addition is a "stamp and return" copy along with a prepaid postage, self-addressed envelope. All correspondence and inquiries concerning this filing should be addressed to the undersigned.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'Tommy Welch'.

Tommy Welch
Director of Finance and Administration

Enclosures

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