



August 2, 2016

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

RE: 2016 Annual State Self-Certification of Support for Eligible Telecommunications Carriers
Pursuant to 47 C.F.R. §54.314, Docket No. 16-00072

Dear Mr. Hutton:

I, Lisa Cope, President of Ben Lomand Communications, LLC (the "Company"), SAC 299001, 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 President of the Company;
2. The Company is subject to the jurisdiction of the Tennessee Regulatory Authority;
3. The Company is eligible for disbursement of the Federal Universal Service Fund ("USF") as prescribed by the Federal Communications Commission; and
4. The Company will utilize its USF disbursements for high cost support (including any high cost loop support, local switching support, high cost support received pursuant to purchase of exchanges, high cost model support, and hold harmless support for which it is eligible) received in 2016 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 Communications Act of 1934, as amended.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Lisa Cope".

Lisa Cope
President
Ben Lomand Communications, LLC

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**BEN LOMAND COMMUNICATIONS, LLC
UNIVERSAL SERVICE PAYMENTS RECEIVED - 2015**

DOCKET NUMBER 16-00072

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	<u>HIGH COST & IAS SUPPORT</u>	<u>LIFELINE & LINKUP</u>
JANUARY	62.00	2,257.00
FEBRUARY	62.00	2,146.00
MARCH	62.00	1,961.00
APRIL	62.00	2,100.00
MAY	62.00	2,128.00
JUNE	62.00	2,137.00
JULY	62.00	2,183.00
AUGUST	62.00	2,174.00
SEPTEMBER	62.00	2,155.00
OCTOBER	62.00	2,137.00
NOVEMBER	62.00	2,109.00
DECEMBER	62.00	2,100.00
	<u>744.00</u>	<u>25,587.00</u>

Ben Lomand Communications, LLC is a facilities based CLEC and does not make a cost allocation of USF funds.

The Lifeline and Linkup funds were used to reduce installation charges and monthly charges to eligible low income customers.

The High Cost & IAS funds were used to maintain the outside plant and to upgrade the remotes.

Ben Lomand Communications, LLC provides service in the McMinnville, Sparta and Manchester rate centers. No lines are serviced by UNEs, no lines are served by resale.

	<u>McMinnville</u>	<u>Sparta</u>	<u>Manchester</u>
Number of lines	3782	1185	215

Type of Switching - EOC

Location of Switch - McMinnville