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July 26, 2017

John Hutton Tennessee Public Utility Commission 502 Deaderik Street, 4th Floor Nashville, TN 37243

Re: Annual State Certification of Support for eligible Telecommunications Carriers Pursuant to 47

C.F.R. §54.314 (TRA Docket No. 17-00068)

Dear Mr. Hutton:

Pursuant to your letter dated July 12, 2017 to Ms. Angela McCall, enclosed please find the certification letters to receive Universal Service Support for the next fiscal year on behalf of Citizens Telecommunications Company of the Volunteer State LLC and Citizens Telecommunications Company of Tennessee LLC.

An additional copy of this letter and certifications are also enclosed. Please stamp this copy received and return it in the enclosed stamped, self-addressed envelope.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at 916-686-3588 or by email at joe.chicoine@ftr.com.

Sincerely,

Joseph D. Chicoine

Sr. Manager, Govt. & External Affairs

Enclosures

cc: A. McCall, Frontier





July 19, 2017

John Hutton Tennessee Public Utility Commission 502 Deaderick Street, 4th Floor Nashville, TN 37243

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Dear Mr. Hutton:

I, Allison M. Ellis, Vice President, Regulatory Affairs of Citizens Telecommunications Company of the Volunteer State LLC (the "Company"), 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 Vice President, Regulatory Affairs of the Company;
- 2. The Company is a "rural telephone company" as defined in 47 U.S.C. §153(37), subject to the jurisdiction of the Tennessee Regulatory Authority; The SAC # is 290580
- 3. The Company is eligible for disbursements from the federal Universal Service Fund ("USF") as prescribed by the Federal Communications Commission ("FCC"); and
- 4. The Company will utilize its USF disbursements for all federal high-cost support, 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 Telecommunications Act of 1996.

Sincerely,

Allison M. Ellis

Vice President, Regulatory Affairs

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- 1. I am the Vice President, Regulatory Affairs of the Company,
- 2. The Company is a "rural telephone company" as defined in 47 U.S.C. §153(37), subject to the jurisdiction of the Tennessee Regulatory Authority; The SAC # is 294336
- 3. The Company is eligible for disbursements from the federal Universal Service Fund ("USF") as prescribed by the Federal Communications Commission ("FCC"); and
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Allison M. Ellis

Vice President, Regulatory Affairs

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