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Re: CC Docket No. 96-45/WC Docket No. 14-58, Annual State-Certification of Support for Eligible Telecommunications Carriers Pursuant to 47 C.F.R. § 54.314

Pursuant to the requirements of 47 C.F.R. § 54.314, the Tennessee Public Utility Commission hereby certifies to the Federal Communications Commission and the Universal Service Administrative Company that the telecommunications carriers included in this letter are eligible to receive federal high-cost support for the program years cited.

The Tennessee Public Utility Commission certifies for the carriers listed all federal high-cost support provided to such carriers within Tennessee was used in the preceding calendar year (2023) and will be used in the coming calendar year (2025) only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended.¹

Company Name	Study Area Code
Aeneas Communications, Inc.	299013
Ardmore Telephone Company, LLC	290280

Check X if list of Certified Carriers is attached.

Earl R. Taylor, Executive Director

¹ 47 C.F.R. §54.314(a) ("<u>Certification.</u> States that desire eligible telecommunications carriers to receive support pursuant to the high-cost program must file an annual certification with the Administrator and the Commission stating that all federal high-cost support provided to such carriers within that State 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 and services for which the support is intended. High-cost support shall only be provided to the extent that the State has filed the requisite certification pursuant to this section.").

Company Name	Study Area Code
Ben Lomand Communications, Inc.	299001
CenturyTel of Adamsville, Inc.	290552
Brightspeed of Eastern Tennessee, LLC.	290557
Brightspeed of Southern Tennessee, LLC.	290574
Citizen Telecommunications Company of	290580
The Volunteer State, LLC	
Citizens Telecommunications Company	294336
Of Tennessee, LLC	
Concord Telephone Company	290559
Crockett Telephone Company, Inc.	290561
Humphreys County Telephone Company	290566
Loretto Telephone Company	290570
Millington Telephone Company, Inc.	290571
Peoples Telephone Company, Inc.	290576
Tellico Telephone Company, Inc.	290578
Tennessee Telephone Company	290575
United Telephone Company	290581
Brightspeed of Appalachia, LLC	290567
West Tennessee Telephone Company, Inc.	290583