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July 11, 2022

Office of the Commission Clerk Florida Public Service Commission 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard Tallahassee, FL 32399

Re: Consolidated Communications of Florida Company (TL719) – Compliance with 47 CFR §54.313 and §54.314; Docket 20220074-TP

Dear Secretary:

Enclosed please find Consolidated Communications of Florida Company's affidavit in support of its use of federal universal service funds and to facilitate certification by the Florida Public Service Commission to the Federal Communications Commission as contemplated in 47 C.F.R. §54.314.

If you have any questions regarding this filing, please contact me at the email address below.

Sincerely,

Beth Westman

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AFFIDAVIT

BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority appeared Michael J. Shultz, who deposed and said:

- 1. My name is <u>Michael J. Shultz</u>. I am employed by <u>Consolidated Communications of Florida Company</u> (the "Company") as its Sr. Vice President Regulatory & Public Policy. I am authorized to give this affidavit on behalf of the Company. This affidavit is being given to support the Florida Public Service Commission's certification as contemplated in 47 C.F.R. §54.314.
- 2. The Company hereby certifies that the federal high-cost universal service support the Company received in 2021 and will receive in 2023 was and will be used for the services and functionalities outlined in 47 C.F.R. §54.101(a), and that it will only use the federal high-cost support it receives for the provision, maintenance and upgrading of facilities and services for which such support is intended, consistent with section 254(e) of the Act.

FURTHER AFFIANT SAYETH NOT.

Michael J. Shultz

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Sr. Vice President Regulatory & Public Policy

STATE OF PENNSYLVANIA

COUNTY OF ALLEGHENY

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My commission expires September 9, 2025 Commission number 1218170

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