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June 29, 2018

Ms. Carlotta Stauffer Office of Commission Clerk Florida Public Service Commission 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard Tallahassee, FL 32399-0850

## RE: 20180122-TP, FCC Certification of ETCs to Receive Universal Support – Form 481

Dear Ms. Stauffer:

The Northeast Florida Telephone Company ("NEFCOM") submits to the Florida Public Service Commission (PSC) the attached affidavit attesting to the use of Federal Universal Service Support.

The federal high-cost support NEFCOM will receive in 2019 will continue to be used for the services and functionalities outlined in 47 C.F.R. §54.314 and on the attached affidavit, NEFCOM certifies that it will only use the federal high-cost support it receives for the provision, maintenance and upgrading of facilities and service for which such support is intended.

NEFCOM respectfully requests that the Florida PSC submit to the Federal Communications Commission ("FCC") and the Universal Service Administrative Company ("USAC") its annual certification that NEFCOM is eligible to receive federal high-cost support in 2019.

The FCC issued a Public Notice June 6, 2018, delaying submission of the FCC Form 481 filings to USAC pending approval from the Office of Management and Budget (OMB). Thus, NEFCOM will provide a copy of its FCC Form 481 annual report once it is officially filed with USAC.

Please contact me at 512-652-7725 or lynette.hampton@mossadams.com if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

bto

Lynette Hampton <sup>¶</sup> Authorized Representative for Northeast Florida Telephone Company

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## Attachments

cc: Amanda Molina – Northeast Florida Telephone Company

## <u>AFFIDAVIT</u>

DOCKET No. 20180122-TP STATE OF <u>Arkansas</u> COUNTY OF <u>Lafayetk</u>

BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority, appeared Amanda Molina who deposed and said:

- 1. My Name is Amanda Molina. 1 am employed by Northeast Florida Telephone Company ("NEFCOM" or "the Company") as it Vice President of External Relations. I am an officer of the Company and 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. NEFCOM hereby certifies to the Florida Public Service Commission that it is eligible to receive federal high-cost support for the program years cited.
- 3. I, Amanda Molina, attest for the Study Area Code 210335, all high-cost support provided to NEFCOM was used in the preceding calendar year and will be used in the coming year only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support was intended.

FURTHER THE AFFIANT SAYETH NOT.

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Signature

June 29, 2018 Date

VP of External Relations Title

904-259-0029 Contact phone number

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO BEFORE ME this 29 day of June , 20 **I**.

Signáture

Kim Tedford NOTARY PUBLIC Miller County, Arkansas Commission # 61854938N My Commission Expires 11/1/2023