

EXHIBIT 7

Certification of State and federal Accounting

I, Dale Merten, am an officer of The Toledo Telephone Co., Inc. (the Company as set out in the Petition to which this is an Exhibit) and thereby certify that the Company chooses Eligibility Criterion Four

This Certification is a sworn statement made under the penalty of perjury as set forth in WAC 480-123-110-(i)(j)(ii),(iii) or (iv) this 17<sup>th</sup> day of August 2022.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Dale Merten", with a stylized flourish at the end.

By: Dale Merten

Title: VP/COO