Sample Letter State Certification of Rural & Non-rural Carriers for High Cost Support

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RE: Certification of Support for Rural and Non-Rural High–Cost Carriers Pursuant to 47 C.F.R Sections 54.313-314, CC Docket Nos. 96-45 and 00-256

To the Filing Representatives:

The Public Utility Commission (PUC)/Public Service Commission (PSC)/Utility Board/Corporation Commission of <u>(state name)</u> hereby certifies that all federal high cost support provided to rural and non-rural carriers in this state will be used only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended, consistent with section 254 (e) of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended. This includes High Cost Loop (HCL) support, Local Switching Support (LSS), High Cost Model (HCM) support, and high cost support received pursuant to the purchase of exchanges.

Attached are lists of rural and non-rural carriers certified by the <u>(state name)</u> PUC/PSC/Utility Board/Corporation Commission pursuant to sections 54.313 and 54.314 of the FCC's rules (47 C.F.R. §§ 54.313, 54.314), which require states to establish an annual certification process for rural and non-rural carriers receiving federal high cost support. As requested by the Universal Service Administrative Company, listed beside each carrier is its assigned study area code (SAC), if known.

Sincerely,

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