

UT-220494

June 30, 2022

Amanda Maxwell Executive Directory and Secretary Washington Utilities & Transportation Commission 601 Woodland Square Loop SE Lacey, WA 98503

RE: Commnet Wireless, LLC

Annual High Cost Universal Service Certification

Dear Ms. Maxwell;

In accordance with WAC 480-123-060 to WAC 480-123-080, Commnet Wireless, LLC (Study Area Code 529033) submits the enclosed Annual Eligible Telecommunications Carrier Report and Certification.

If you have any questions or need further information, please contact me at 501-448-1249 or via e-mail at rranaraja@atni.com.

Sincerely,

Rohan Ranaraja

**Executive Director** 

Government and Regulatory Affairs

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## Commnet Wireless, LLC (Study Area Code 529033)

ETC ANNUAL REPORT PER WAC 480-123-060 - WAC 480-123-080 June 30, 2022

Commnet Wireless, LLC ("Commnet" or "Company") was designated as an Eligible Telecommunications Carrier by Order issued May 20, 2021 in Docket No. UT-210149. Commnet was authorized by the Federal Communications Commission ("FCC") to receive funding via the Rural Digital Opportunity Fund ("RDOF") on January 14, 2022. Commnet has been assigned Study Area Code 529033 by the Universal Service Administrative Company.

Commnet hereby submits the following report in accordance with WAC 480-123-060 to WAC 480-123-080.

1. Annual Certification – WAC 480-123-160

Through this filing Commnet requests that the Commission recertify the Company as an Eligible Telecommunications Carrier for purposes of receiving high-cost universal service support in 2023. Commnet did not receive any high-cost universal service funding nor did the company provide the supported services in the state of Washington during calendar year 2021. Nonetheless, in accordance with WAC 480-123-160, attached hereto as Exhibit A is a certification that all federal high-cost universal service funds received by the company will be used only to provision, maintain and upgrade the facilities and services for which the support is intended.

2. Report on use of funds: WAC 480-123-070(1)(a):

As referenced above, the Company did not receive funding from the high-cost universal service fund during calendar year 2021.

3. Benefits to customers from the use of funds: WAC 480-123-070(1)(b):

The Company did not provide supported services during calendar year 2021. Customers in the Company's RDOF supported area will benefit from high-speed internet and voice options when service is deployed.

4. Local Services Outage Report: WAC 480-123-070(2):

The Company did not provide supported services during calendar year 2021. Therefore, it does not have any local service outages to report.

5. Report on Failure to Provide Service: WAC 480-123-070(3):

The Company did not provide supported services during calendar year 2021. Therefore, it does not have any unfulfilled service requests to report.

6. Report on Complaints per 1000 Connections: WAC 480-123-070(4):

Company did not provide supported services during calendar year 2021. Therefore, it does not have any customer complaint to report.

7. Certification of Compliance with Service Quality Standards and Consumer Protection Rules: WAC 480-123-070(5):

Company did not provide supported services during calendar year 2021. At demonstrated in its ETC Application, the Company is capable of complying with the applicable service standards and consumer protection rules at such time it begins provisioning the supported services.

8. Certification of Ability to Function in Emergency Situations: WAC 480-123-070(6):

Company did not provide supported services during calendar year 2021. At demonstrated in its ETC Application, the Company will ensure its network is designed to be able to function during emergency situations.

9. Advertising Certification, including Advertisement on Indian Reservations: WAC 480-123-070(7):

Company did not provide supported services during calendar year 2021. At such time the Company provides the supported services, it will advertise or publicize the availability of and charges for the supported services and Lifeline services.

10. Annual Plan: WAC 480-123-080(1):

In calendar year 2023, the Company intends to complete the final network design to deliver the required services utilizing RDOF support. Finalizing the network design will entail completion of an extensive RF analysis and identifying tower locations where the Radio Access Network will be deployed to ensure it can meet the deployment milestones. Company will also begin the collocation and site acquisition process based on the final design and compete the procurement process of equipment given the long lead times.

## **EXHIBIT A**

## Commnet Wireless, LLC Annual Certification

I Rohan Ranaraja, being of lawful age and duly sworn, state that I serve as Executive Director of Government and Regulatory Affairs for Commnet Wireless, LLC ("Commnet").

I certify to the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission ("Commission") that the following is true and correct to the best of my knowledge:

- 1. The Commission designated Commnet as an Eligible Telecommunications Carrier ("ETC") in certain census blocks in the State of Washington by Order issued May 20, 2021 in Docket No. UT-210149;
- 2. The Company did not receive any high-cost universal service funds during calendar year 2021. The Company will use all high-cost universal service funds received in the upcoming year (2023) only for the provision, maintenance and upgrading of the facilities and services for which the support is intended;
- 3. The Company did not provide supported services during calendar year 2021. Commnet will provide the supported services required by 47 U.S.C. §214(e) at such time it begins provisioning service;
- 4. The Company did not provide supported services during calendar year 2021. Commnet will comply with the applicable service standards and consumer protection rules at such time it begins provisioning the supported services. WAC 480-123-070(5)
- 5. The Company did not provide supported services during calendar year 2021. Commnet will ensure its network is designed to be able to function during emergency situations. WAC 480-123-070(6)
- 6. Company did not provide supported services during calendar year 2021. Commnet will advertise or publicize the availability of and charges for the supported services and Lifeline services. WAC 480-123-070(7)

RARAM RANARAJA

JUNE 30, 2022

Subscribed and sworn to before me

this 30 day of June, 2022.

County, Arkansas

My Commission Expires 12-13-2029

