BEFORE THE WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

)	DOCKET NO. UT-10
In the Matter of State)	
Certification of Support as)	ANNUAL ETC CERTIFICATION
Required by 47 C.F.R. § 54.314)	FILING OF UNITED STATES
)	CELLULAR CORPORATION

Pursuant to WAC 480-123-060, *et seq.*, United States Cellular Corporation, 8410 West Bryn Mawr, Suite 700, Chicago, IL 60631 ("USCC"), seeks recertification as an ETC in the State of Washington based on the following:

 USCC was designated as an eligible telecommunications carrier ("ETC") by the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission in Docket No. UT-970345 on December 23, 1997, as supplemented December 30, 1999, January 27, 2000, and May 14, 2008.

2. During the calendar year 2009, USCC provided the services required by 47 U.S.C. § 214(e) consistent with the Commission Orders in Docket No. UT-970345. As certified in **Exhibit A**, funds USCC receives from the federal high-cost universal service support fund will be used only for the provision, maintenance and upgrading of the facilities and services for which the support was intended.

3. Exhibit B attached is intended to satisfy the requirements of WAC 480-123070 (1)(a) – (b) "Report on Use of federal funds and benefits to customers". - Confidential

4. Exhibit C attached is intended to satisfy the requirements of WAC 480-123-070 (2)(a) – (f) "Local service outage report". - *Confidential*

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5. Exhibit D attached is intended to satisfy the requirements of WAC 480-123070 (3) "Report on failure to provide service". - Confidential

6. Exhibit E attached is intended to satisfy the requirements of WAC 480-123070 (4) "Report on complaints per one thousand handsets or lines". - *Confidential*

7. **Exhibit F** certifies USCC is in compliance with the CTIA Consumer Code for Wireless Carriers. This statement is made in response to WAC 480-123-070 (5) "Certification of compliance with applicable service quality standards".

8. In 2009: (a) each USCC cell site within the State of Washington was engineered to and did have at least 4 hours of back up battery power; (b) each USCC microwave hub within the State of Washington had a back up generator; and (c) each USCC switch within the State of Washington had at least 5 hours of back up battery power and a back up generator. This statement and the certification of compliance in **Exhibit G** are made in response to WAC 480-123-070 (6) "Certification of ability to function in emergency situations".

9. During the calendar year 2009, USCC advertised the availability of supported services and the charges for them as required by 47 U.S.C. § 214(e), and the Commission Orders in Docket No. UT-970345. Outreach activities included newspaper advertising, informational postings at <u>www.uscellular.com</u>, advertising materials located in retail locations and the ability for potential Native American Lifeline customers in the Yakima, Washington area to sign up for service at select retail locations. **Exhibit H** certifies that USCC publicized the availability of supported services, including Lifeline Services. Samples of advertising and outreach materials are attached as **Exhibit I**. **Exhibit J** is a statement describing the advertising of service offerings in Washington. Attached as **Exhibit K** is a

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schedule of Lifeline ad insertion – **Confidential.** This paragraph is in response to WAC 480-123-070 (7) "Advertising certification, including advertisement on Indian reservations".

10. **Exhibit L,** attached, details USCC's intended capital investment within its ETC boundaries in the State of Washington for 2010 and 2011. This information is provided as a response to WAC 480-123-080. *- Confidential*

11. Attached as **Exhibit M** is a map in .shp format that shows the general location where USCC provides commercial mobile radio service signals as of the year end 2009. - *Confidential*

12. USCC has received the following federal high-cost universal service fund support for the months of January – December 2009:

HCL	\$1,825,601.00
IAS	\$ 70,838.00
ICLS	\$2,269,147.00
LSS	\$ 519,892.00
SNA	\$ 10,956.00
LTS	<u>\$ 0.00</u>
Total Received in 2009	<u>\$4,696,434.00</u>

Respectfully submitted this 29th day of July, 2010.

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