

EXHIBIT 9

CONTINUED OPERATIONS CERTIFICATE

I, Andrew S. Petersen, an officer of McDaniel Telephone Company d/b/a TDS Telecom (the Company), under penalty of perjury, hereby certify that if the Company receives Program support, the Company will continue to provide communications services pursuant to its tariffs on file with the Commission throughout its service territory in Washington for which the company is seeking and receives Program support during the entirety of 2016.

Dated this 31st day of July, 2015.



Andrew S. Petersen
VP-External Affairs & Communications