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August 3, 2005

Ms. Deborah Elofson
Executive Director
South Dakota Public Utilities Commission
Capitol Building – 1st floor
500 East Capitol Avenue
Pierre, South Dakota 57501-5070

Dear Ms. Elofson,

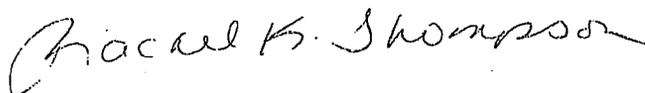
Please find enclosed an original and ten copies of an Affidavit For Certification of federal USF support for Citizens Telecommunications Company of Minnesota, LLC. Also, enclosed is financial support for the filing as well as detail for the Jasper exchange, which serves 81 customers in South Dakota.

We are unable at this time to provide detail on specific support amounts we may receive in 2006 because USAC has not yet identified them. Our 2006 budget has not yet identified the level of detail as to application of support for central office and cable and wire facilities. We cannot estimate at this time further than to roughly mirror last year's investment.

The portion of support assigned to the 81 lines in South Dakota is .06% of the total. Last year this represented \$291 in high cost loop service and \$258 in local switching support. This percentage is reasonable to assume for 2006 as well.

If there are any questions please feel free to call me at (585) 777-1146

Sincerely,



Rachel K. Thompson
Governmental and External Affairs

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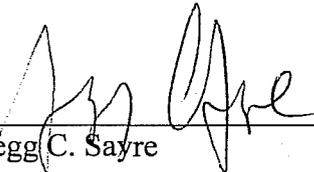
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STATE OF NEW YORK)
)ss.
COUNTY OF MONROE)

1. My name is Gregg Sayre. I am employed by Citizens Telecommunications Company of Minnesota, LLC, (the "Company") as its Assistant Secretary. I am an officer of the Company and am authorized to give this affidavit on behalf of the Company. This affidavit is provided to support the request of the Company for certification by the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission as contemplated in 47 C.F.R. § 54.314.

2. During the year 2005, the Company received federal universal service support, and had investments and expense relating to the provision, maintenance and upgrading of facilities and services for which such support was intended. The Company hereby certifies that it will only use the federal high-cost support it receives during 2006 for the provision, maintenance and upgrading of facilities and services for which such support is intended.

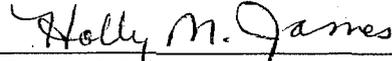
FURTHER AFFIANT SAYETH NOT.



Gregg C. Sayre

STATE OF NEW YORK)
)ss.
COUNTY OF MONROE)

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 3rd day of August, 2005.



Notary Public

HOLLY M. JAMES
Notary Public, State of New York
Qualified in Monroe County
My Commission Expires Nov. 30, 2006

Attachment to Affidavit
Citizens Telecommunications Company of Minnesota, LLC

Year 2004 Federal Universal Service Receipts Subject To Certification.

1 High cost loop support	\$485,129
2 Local switching support	<u>\$430,135</u>
3 TOTAL	\$915,264

Year 2004 Expenditures For Provision, Maintenance, and Upgrading Of Facilities and Services Supported By Federal Universal Service Funding

		<u>Source</u>
Plant Specific Operations Expenses		
4 Network support (Accts. 6110-16)	\$28,524	[a]
5 General support (Accts. 6120-24)	\$6,597,211	[a]
6 Central office (Accts. 6210-6215)	\$2,418,277	[a]
7 Cable and wire facilities (Accts. 6410-6441)	\$4,614,085	[a]
8 Network operations (Accts. 6530-35)	\$5,711,287	[a]
9 Depreciation & amortization (Accts. 6560-65)	\$30,950,254	[a]
10 Customer Operations Expenses		
11 Customer services (Accts. 6620-23)	\$3,987,177	[a]
Corporate Operations Expenses		
12 Executive and planning (Accts. 6710-12)	\$5,361,867	[a]
13 General and administrative (Accts. 6720-28)	\$6,857,320	[a]
14 Total Year 2004 Supported Expenses, Before Return on Investment	\$66,526,002	
Additions		
15 Total central office switching (Acct. 2210)	\$1,337,062	[b]
16 Total cable and wire (Acct. 2410)	\$9,885,487	[b]
17 TOTAL	\$11,222,549	
18 Total Year 2004 Supported Expenditures Before Return On Investment	\$77,748,551	

[a] 2004 Minnesota Telephone Company Annual Report Schedule 5

[b] 2004 Minnesota Telephone Company Annual Report Schedule 4

Citizens Telecommunications Company of Minnesota, LLC
(Company)

Where only some of the items on the page are Trade Secret, place
If all the Data on this page is Trade Secret, Place an "X" in

Enter total number of MN Exchanges for your Company: Isle

A. RETAIL ACCESS LINES (please carefully read the instructions)

- Line Service
1. Res. flat rate
 2. Res. measured
 3. SUBTOTAL
 4. Bus. flat rate
 5. Bus. measured
 6. SUBTOTAL
 7. Pay - public or semipublic
 8. Cust. Owned Pay T.
 9. PBX trunks
 10. CO. based Switching arrangement
 11. FX-lines
 12. WATS (out & 800)
 13. Dedicated private line, special access
 - A. DSO and analog
 - B. DS1
 - C. DS3
 14. Other ***
 15. TOTAL RETAIL

	Isle	Jacobson	Jasper	Kabetogama	Kandiyohi	Kennedy	Keister
Number Access Lines	Number Access Lines	Number Access Lines	Number Access Lines	Number Access Lines	Number Access Lines	Number Access Lines	Number Access Lines
1. Res. flat rate	1,327	193	498	288	420	189	488
2. Res. measured							
3. SUBTOTAL	1,327	193	498	288	420	189	488
4. Bus. flat rate	297	26	107	60	86	46	126
5. Bus. measured							
6. SUBTOTAL	297	26	107	60	86	46	126
7. Pay - public or semipublic	3		1	3			
8. Cust. Owned Pay T.							
9. PBX trunks	4		2				
10. CO. based Switching arrangement	7		15	10		9	
11. FX-lines							
12. WATS (out & 800)							
13. Dedicated private line, special access							
A. DSO and analog							
B. DS1							
C. DS3							
14. Other ***							
15. TOTAL RETAIL	1,658	219	623	361	506	244	614

B. WHOLESALE LOCAL ACCESS LINES (please carefully read the instructions)

16. Resold switched lines
17. Resold dedicated lines
18. UNE-P lines
19. UNE-L lines
20. TOTAL WHOLESALE
21. TOTAL RETAIL and WHOLESALE

16. Resold switched lines	20			4	8		
17. Resold dedicated lines							
18. UNE-P lines							
19. UNE-L lines							
20. TOTAL WHOLESALE	20	0	0	4	8	0	0
21. TOTAL RETAIL and WHOLESALE	1,658	219	623	365	514	244	614

C. INFORMATION FOR THIS EXCHANGE (please carefully read the instructions)

- a. Is this a central office located in MN that also serves non-MN customers?
- b. If a is "yes," give the total number of non-MN lines served by this central office.
- c. Is this area of MN served by a central office located outside of MN?
- d. If c is "yes," give the total number of non -MN lines served by this central office.
- e. Does the company offer DSL or other broadband service to residence customers in this exchange?
- f. If e is "yes," the service is available to what percent of the lines in the exchange?
- g. If e is "yes," please give the number of lines providing DSL service as of Dec 31, 2004?
- h. Are there two or more geographically separated routes to the toll network from this exchange?
- i. Is there at least one SS7 route to this exchange?
- j. Was at least one CLEC operating in this area as of December 31, 2004?
- k. If j is "yes," has at least one CLEC installed any of its own loop facilities?
- l. Is toll free access to the internet available from at least one internet service provider in this exchange?

	Yes/No						
a.	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	Yes
b.				81			6
c.	No						
d.							
e.	Yes						
f.	85.0%	85.0%	85.0%	85.0%	85.0%	85.0%	85.0%
g.	87	9	3	13	16	5	34
h.	No						
i.	Yes						
j.	Yes						
k.	Yes						
l.	Yes						

D. CENTRAL OFFICE INFORMATION (please carefully read the instructions)

- a. Central Office
- b. Type of switch
- c. Switch model

Switch 1	Switch 1	Switch 1	Switch 1	Switch 1	Switch 1	Switch 1
Isle	Jacobson	Jasper	Kabetogama	Kandiyohi	Kennedy	Keister
Digital	Digital	Digital	Digital	Digital	Digital	Digital
NTI DMS10 SSO	NTI DMS10/RLC	NTI DMS10	SC DCO/RLS	NTI DMS10/RLC	SC DCO/RLS	AFC DMAX 1120