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Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary
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Re: Certification of Support Pursuant to 47 C.F.R. Section 54.313, CC Docket Nos.
96-45 and 00-256

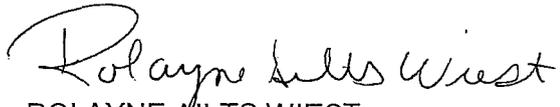
Dear Ms. Dortch and Ms. Majcher:

In a previous letter dated November 21, 2006, the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission (SDPUC) informed USAC and the FCC that it had designated James Valley Wireless, LLC (JVW) as an eligible telecommunications carrier (ETC) for the Qwest Corporation exchange of Redfield, South Dakota and the entire service areas of James Valley Cooperative Telephone Company (JVCT). In addition, the SDPUC provided certification regarding JVW's use of its federal high cost support.

The SDPUC has been informed by James Graft, the CEO of JVW, that USAC needs additional information clarifying the time frames for the certification. The SDPUC's certification is intended to run from the date of the Commission order granting ETC status to JVW through December 31, 2007. Thus, for November 17, 2006 through December 31, 2006 and for January 1, 2007 through December 31, 2007, the SDPUC certifies that JVW will use all federal high cost support only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended, consistent with section 254(2) 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.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us for further information.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Rolayne Alts Wiest". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the printed name.

ROLAYNE ALTS WIEST
Commission Attorney

cc: Mr. James Groft