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Burl W. Haar, Ph.D.
Executive Secretary
Minnesota Public Utilities Commission
121 Seventh Place East, Suite 350
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PUBLIC VERSION

Re: In the Matter of Annual Certifications Related to Eligible Telecommunications Carrier's (ETC) Use of the Federal Universal Service Support Docket No. P999/PR-12-26

Citizens Telecommunications Company of Minnesota, LLC

Dear Dr. Haar:

Attached is the public version of an electronic filing by Citizens Telecommunications Company of Minnesota, LLC, ("Citizens") for certification of federal USF support. This filing includes an affidavit and supporting documents.

Attachments B and C of this filing contain TRADE SECRET financial information with independent economic value which is not generally known to, and not readily ascertainable by, Citizens' competitors, which could obtain economic value from its disclosure. Citizens maintains the information as secret. Accordingly, this information qualifies as "trade secret information" as defined in Minn. Stat. § 13.37(1)(b), and Citizens requests that this data be treated as trade secret information.

If you have any questions, please call me at (952) 435-1356.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Stephen H. Hegdal".

Stephen H. Hegdal
Manager – Compliance and Reporting

Enclosures