

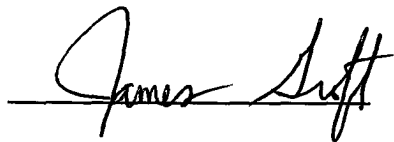
**CERTIFICATION OF NORTHERN VALLEY COMMUNICATIONS, LLC**

**Reporting Period January 1 – December 31, 2012**

**Sec. 54.313(a)(6) Ability to Function in an Emergency Situation**

Pursuant to § 54.313(a)(6) for High-cost Recipients, Northern Valley Communications, LLC hereby certifies that it is able to function in emergency situations as set forth in § 54.202(a)(2). Northern Valley Communications, LLC is able to remain functional in an emergency situation through the use of back-up power to ensure functionality without an external power source. Northern Valley Communications, LLC has backup battery (or equivalent power) reserve in its central office, which enables it to provide service for a reasonable period of time if external power is lost. Northern Valley Communications, LLC's network is engineered to handle reasonable excess traffic in the event of traffic spikes resulting from emergency situations. Northern Valley Communications, LLC has redundancy in its network for use in re-rerouting traffic when facilities are damaged.

I verify that the foregoing is true and correct. Executed on September 24, 2013.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "James Groft", is written over a horizontal line.

James Groft, CEO

Northern Valley Communications, LLC