

**54.314(a) State-Certification
Filing Year:**

Re: CC Docket No. 96-45/WC Docket No. 14-58, Annual State Certification of support for Eligible Telecommunications Carriers Pursuant to 47 C.F.R. & 54.314

Pursuant to the requirements of 47 C.F.R § 54.314, the **South Dakota Public Utilities Commission** hereby certifies to the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) and the Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC) that the eligible telecommunications carriers (ETCs) listed below are eligible to receive federal high-cost support for the program years cited.

The **South Dakota Public Utilities Commission** certifies that for the carriers listed all federal high-cost support provided to such carriers within **SOUTH DAKOTA** was used in the preceding calendar year (**2022**) and will be used in the coming calendar year (**2024**) only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended.¹

ETCs CERTIFIED BY South Dakota Public Utilities Commission

CARRIER	SAC
CITY OF FAITH MUNIC	391653
JEFFERSON TEL CO -SD	391666
RC Technologies	391674
JAMES VALLEY COOPERATIVE TEL. CO.	391664
SIOUX VALLEY TEL. CO	391677
Santel Communications Cooperative	391676
Clarity Telecom, LLC dba Vast Broadband	391652
MIDSTATE TELECOM, INC.	399011
BALTIC TELECOM COOP.	391642
Venture Vision, Inc.	399025
INTERSTATE TELECOMM.	391654
GOLDEN WEST TELECOMM	391659
Knology of the Black Hills, LLC	399006
QWEST CORP-SD	395145
SSTELECOM, INC.	399013
BERESFORD MUNICIPAL	391649
TRI-COUNTY TELCOM	391682
ARMOUR INDEPENDENT TELEPHONE CO.	391640
CITY OF BROOKINGS	391650
VENTURE COMM. COOP	391680

¹ 47 C.F.R. § 54.314(a) ("Certification. States that desire eligible telecommunications carriers to receive support pursuant to the high-cost program must file an annual certification with the Administrator and the Commission stating that all federal high-cost support provided to such carriers within that State was used in the preceding calendar year and will be used in the upcoming calendar year only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended. High-cost support shall only be provided to the extent that the State has filed the requisite certification pursuant to this section.")

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CARRIER	SAC
FORT RANDALL TELEPHONE COMPANY	391660
MIDSTATE COMM., INC.	391670
MCCOOK COOP TEL CO	391669
KADOKA TELEPHONE CO	391667
HILLS TEL CO-SD	391405
Alliance Communications Cooperative, Inc.	399024
VIVIAN TELEPHONE CO	391686
SPLITROCK TELECOM COOPERATIVE INC.	391657
MT. RUSHMORE TEL. CO.	391660
JAMES VALLEY WIRELESS, LLC	399014
WEST RIVER COOPERATIVE TEL. CO.	391689
Northern Valley Communications	399017
UNION TEL CO.	391684
KENNEBEC TEL CO	391668
WEST RIVER(MOBRIDGE)	391671
MIDCONTINENT COMMUNICATIONS	399005
VALLEY TELECOMM.	391685
Northern Valley Communications, LLC	396340

Signed,

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