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Re: ETC Certification – Alliance Communications Cooperative, Inc.
Study Areas 391657, 391642, and 391405
Our File No. 280.01

Dear Ms. Van Gerpen:

Enclosed for filing are the following documents relating to the annual ETC Certification of Alliance Communications Cooperative, Inc. Alliance Communications Cooperative, Inc. presently operates as an ILEC in three study areas located in the State of South Dakota identified as Study Areas 391657, 391642, and 391405. Certain of the accompanying documents are prepared separately for the various Study Areas.

The annual ETC Certification and its accompanying exhibits are attached as follows:

1. Petition for ETC status of Alliance Communications Cooperative, Inc.;
2. CONFIDENTIAL; Exhibit A - Progress Report for Study Area 391657;
3. CONFIDENTIAL; Exhibit A - Progress Report for Study Area 391642;
4. CONFIDENTIAL; Exhibit A - Progress Report for Study Area 391405;
5. CONFIDENTIAL; Exhibit B – Two Year Plan for Study Area 391657;
6. CONFIDENTIAL; Exhibit B – Two Year Plan for Study Area 391642;
7. CONFIDENTIAL; Exhibit B – Two Year Plan for Study Area 391405;

8. Exhibit C – Certification of Alliance Communications as to ARSD §§ 20:10:32:54(3), 20:10:32:54(4) and 20:10:32:54(5) in Study Area 391657;
9. Exhibit C – Certification of Alliance Communications as to ARSD §§ 20:10:32:54(3), 20:10:32:54(4) and 20:10:32:54(5) in Study Area 391642;
10. Exhibit C – Certification of Alliance Communications as to ARSD §§ 20:10:32:54(3), 20:10:32:54(4) and 20:10:32:54(5) in Study Area 391405;
11. Exhibit D - Affidavit of General Manager of Alliance Communications Cooperative, Inc.; and
12. Alliance Communications Cooperative, Inc.'s Lifeline Linkup Advertising Outreach Annual Report and Specimen copies of Alliance Communications Cooperative, Inc.'s Lifeline Linkup Advertising Outreach.

The documents attached for filing are numbered to correspond to the documents identified in this letter. Please note that the items identified as Nos. 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, and 7 are marked as Confidential. All other items may be available for public review. Please treat all items marked as Confidential and Proprietary as such during your review of these documents.

If you have any questions regarding this filing, please feel free to contact me at your convenience at 605-335-4950. Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Sincerely,

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