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STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA)		
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- 1. I am the General Manager of Cheyenne River Sioux Tribe Telephone Authority and am authorized to give this affidavit on behalf of the Authority. This affidavit is provided to support the Authority's Request for Certification to the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission as contemplated in 47 C.F.R. § 54.314.
- 2. As an authorized representative of the Authority, I hereby affirm familiarity with and an understanding of the requirements of the Federal Communications Act of 1934, as amended by the Telecommunications Act of 1996, the USF/ICC Transformation Order of 2011 the USF Transformation Order of 2016, and subsequent FCC Orders which apply voice and broadband service obligations as a condition to receiving support under the various types of federal high-cost support, including: Interstate Access Support, Connect America Fund ICC, Interstate Common Line Support/Connect America Fund Broadband Loop Support or High Cost Loop Support.
- 3. During 2024, the Authority received federal high cost universal service support as shown on Confidential Exhibit A to the Authority's Annual ETC Certification Filing and had investment and expenses relating to the provision, maintenance and upgrading of facilities and services for which such support was intended as also shown on Confidential Exhibit A. During 2024, the Authority used the federal high cost universal service support it received only for the provision, maintenance and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support was intended consistent with 47 U.S.C. § 254(e).
- 4. The Authority certifies that it will use the federal high cost universal service support it receives during 2026 only for the provision, maintenance and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended consistent with 47 U.S.C. § 254(e).
- 5. The Authority certifies that it (A) is in compliance with applicable service quality standards and consumer protection rules; and (B) is able to function in emergency situations as set forth in §20:10:32:43:03.

General Manager

Subscribed and Sworn to before me this <u>23</u> day of June 2025.

My Commission Expires: 4/22/3