

August 1, 2018

Ms. Kath Mullholand  
Director, Regulatory Innovation and Strategy  
New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission  
21 Fruit Street, Suite 10  
Concord, NH 03301-2429

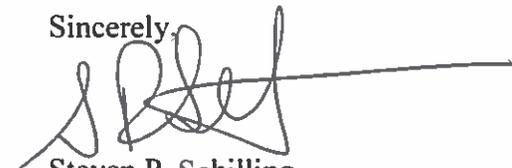
Dear Ms. Mullholand:

Enclosed please find the signed and notarized USF Affidavit of Granite State Telephone, Inc. certifying that it used in the preceding year (2017) and will use in the new calendar year (2019) the federal high cost universal service support it received and will receive for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and service for which such support is intended, as required by § 254(e) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996 and 46 C.F.R. § 54.101.

Our study area number is 120039, and our service area consists of the Weare, Chester, Hillsboro Upper Village, and Washington Exchanges.

Please give me a call at 529-6258 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,



Steven P. Schilling  
Controller

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STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE )  
 ) SS:  
COUNTY OF HILLSBOROUGH )

BEFORE ME, the undersigned person, Susan Rand King, appeared who deposed and said:

1. My name is Susan Rand King. I am President of Granite State Telephone, Inc.
2. I am an officer of the Company and am authorized to give this Affidavit on behalf of the Company regarding the Company's use of Federal High-Cost and Connect America Fund (CAF) Support.
3. This Affidavit is being given to support the New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission's certification as contemplated in 47 C.F.R. § 54.314(a).

4. The Company's service area exchanges are:

<u>Exchange</u>	<u>NXX</u>	<u>Study Area ID</u>
Chester	887	120039
Weare	529	120039
Washington	495	120039
Hillsboro Upper Village	478	120039

5. Granite State Telephone, Inc. hereby certifies that all federal high-cost and CAF support was used in the preceding calendar year (2017) and will be used in the new calendar year (2019) only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended, regardless of the rule under which that support is provided, as required by § 254(e) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996 and 47 C.F.R. § 54.101.

*Susan Rand King*  
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Susan Rand King  
President

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE )  
 ) SS:  
COUNTY OF HILLSBOROUGH )

Sworn before me this 1st day of August, 2018 by Susan Rand King, as President of Granite State Telephone, Inc. who is personally known to me or produced identification and who did take an oath.



Printed Name of Notary Edith S. Gosselein  
My Commission Expires: December 7, 2021