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Federal Communications Commission
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Re: CC Docket No. 96-45/WC Docket No. 14-58, Annual Self -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, Virginia PCS Alliance, L.C. and Richmond 20 MHz, LLC (collectively, "NTELOS") hereby certifies to the Federal Communications Commission and the Universal Service Administrative Company that it is eligible to receive federal high-cost support for the program years cited as more fully described below.

I, Brian J. O'Neil, attest for the Study Area Code listed below all federal high-cost support provided to NTELOS was used in the preceding calendar year (2014) and will be used in the coming calendar year (2016) only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended.¹

NTELOS has petitioned the Federal Communications Commission (the "Commission") to modify the area covered by SAC 199008 due to a transaction previously approved by the Commission in which NTELOS has sold the spectrum licenses to provide service to customers in certain areas of eastern Virginia, including portions of NTELOS's designated Eligible Telecommunications Carrier service area.²

¹ 47 C.F.R. §54.314(b) ("Carriers not subject to State jurisdiction. An eligible telecommunications carrier not subject to the jurisdiction of a State that desires 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 carrier was used in the preceding calendar year and will be used in the coming calendar year only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended. Support provided pursuant to the high-cost program shall only be provided to the extent that the carrier has filed the requisite certification pursuant to this section.").

² Virginia PCS Alliance, L.C. and Richmond 20 MHz, LLC Petition for Modification of Eligible Telecommunications Carrier Service Area, Petition for Modification of Eligible Telecommunications Carrier Service Area, WC Docket Nos. 09-197, 10-90 (Filed October 1, 2015).

As a result, in 2016, NTELOS's certification to use the support only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended will apply to the retained portion of the service territory.³

Company Name: NTELOS

Study Area Code: 199008

Signed,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Brian J. O'Neil", is written over a horizontal line.

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³ See *id.* (identifying the retained portion of the ETC service territory).