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To: **Marlene H. Dortch**
Office of the Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 - 12th Street, SW
Washington, DC 20554

Re: **CC Docket No. 96-45**
Federal High Cost Support
Annual Certification Filing

Enclosed please find the Federal High Cost Support Filing for Coalfields Telephone Company that is due on October 1, 2003.

If you have any questions please call (606) 478-9401 ext. 534.

Sincerely,

Billy Coleman
Regulatory Manager
Coalfields Telephone Company

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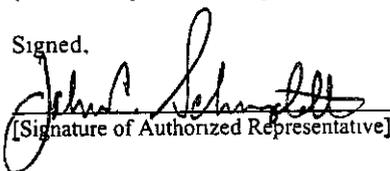
This is to certify that Gearheart Communications, Inc. d/b/a Coalfields Telephone Company will use its **High Cost Loop Support, Local Switching Support, and High Cost Support** only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and service for which the support is intended, consistent with section 254(e) of the Communications Act

I am authorized to make this certification on behalf of the company named above This certification is for the study area(s) listed below (Please enter your Company Name, State, and Study Area Code)

Company Name	State	Study Area Code
Gearheart Communications, Inc d/b/a Coalfields Telephone Company	Kentucky	260408

(If necessary, attach a separate list of additional study areas and check this box)

Signed.


[Signature of Authorized Representative]

Date 9-26-03

John C. Schmoldt
[Printed Name of Authorized Representative]

Director of Operations
[Title of Authorized Representative]

Carrier's Name: Gearheart Communications, Inc. d/b/a Coalfields Telephone Company
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