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VIA ELECTRONIC COMMENT FILING SYSTEM (ECFS)

Ms. Marlene H. Dortch
Office of the Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, SW
Suite TW-A325
Washington, DC 20554

RE: EB Docket No. 06-36 - CPNI Certification for Mid-Plains Rural Telephone Cooperative, Inc.

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On behalf of Mid-Plains Rural Telephone Cooperative, Inc., enclosed is the annual CPNI certification and accompanying statement which is being filed pursuant 47 C.F.R. § 64.2009(e).

Should you have any questions or need further information, please contact me at (512) 343-2544.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jean Langkop". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Jean Langkop
Authorized Representative of
Mid-Plains Rural Telephone Cooperative, Inc.

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Attachments

cc: Best Copy and Printing, Inc (via email FCC@BCPIWEB.COM)
Mr. Brent A. Kennedy, Mid-Plains Rural Telephone Cooperative, Inc.

Annual 47 C.F.R. § 64.2009(e) CPNI Certification

EB Docket 06-36

Annual 64.2009(e) CPNI Certification for 2008

Date filed: January 26, 2009

Name of company covered by this certification: Mid-Plains Rural Telephone
Cooperative, Inc.

Form 499 Filer ID: 801024

Name of signatory: Brent A. Kennedy

Title of signatory: General Manager

I, Brent A. Kennedy, certify that I am an officer of the Cooperative named above, and acting as an agent of the Cooperative, that I have personal knowledge that the Cooperative has established operating procedures that are adequate to ensure compliance with the Commission's CPNI rules. *See 47 C.F.R. § 64.2001 et seq.*

Attached to this certification is an accompanying statement explaining how the Cooperative's procedures ensure that the Cooperative is in compliance with the requirements set forth in section 64.2001 *et seq.* of the Commission's rules.

The Cooperative has not taken any actions (proceedings instituted or petitions filed by a cooperative at either state commissions, the court system, or at the Commission against data brokers) against data brokers in the past year. The Cooperative is not aware of any attempts by pretexters to access the CPNI of the Cooperative's customers and has not had to take any actions against data brokers.

The Cooperative has not received any customer complaints in the past year concerning the unauthorized release of CPNI.

Signed



ACCOMPANYING STATEMENT

To the best of my knowledge, Mid-Plains Rural Telephone Cooperative, Inc. ("the Cooperative") is in full compliance with the FCC rules on CPNI and its requirements for the safeguarding of such customer information. The Cooperative's operating procedures ensure that it is in compliance with the FCC's CPNI Rules because disclosure of, or permitting access to, our customers' CPNI is not allowed without obtaining the requisite customer approval, except as required by law, or the exceptions set forth in 47 U.S.C. §222, and Subpart U of Title 47 of the Code of Federal Regulations, 47 C.F.R §64.2001 through §64.2011.

Appropriate safeguards on the disclosure of CPNI have been implemented in accordance with C.F. R. §64.2010, including, but not limited to the following: Customers are properly authenticated before disclosing CPNI on customer-initiated telephone calls, business office visits, or online access to customer accounts. Authentication through the use of passwords and back-up authentication questions in the event of lost or forgotten passwords has been implemented. Passwords and back-up authentication questions are established in accordance with §64.2010(e). Customers are authenticated in compliance with §64.2010(c) prior to online access to customer account information. The Cooperative has implemented procedures to notify customers of account changes.

The Cooperative has internal procedures in place to educate our employees about CPNI and the disclosure of CPNI. Employees with access to this information are aware of the FCC's rules and are prohibited from disclosing or permitting access to CPNI without the appropriate customer consent or as allowed by law and the FCC rules. In accordance with Company Policy, any employee that uses, discloses, or permits access to CPNI in violation of Federal regulations is subject to disciplinary action, and possible termination.

Use of CPNI for Marketing Status: To the best of my knowledge and belief, the Cooperative does not presently use, sell, or otherwise release CPNI for marketing or other commercial purposes. If our customers' CPNI is to be used for sales and marketing campaigns in the future, the required notification will be provided to customers, approval obtained as required, and safeguards implemented in accordance with 47 C.F.R. §64.2009.