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**THE GOLDEN BELT TELEPHONE ASSOCIATION, INC.**  
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April 24, 2009

Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary  
Office of the Secretary  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 12<sup>th</sup> Street S. W.  
Washington, D.C. 20554

RE: Annual 254(g) Certification – Rate Integration and Geographic Rate Averaging  
*In the Matter of Policy and Rules Concerning the Interstate, Interexchange  
Marketplace, CC Docket No. 96-61.*

Dear Ms. Dortch:

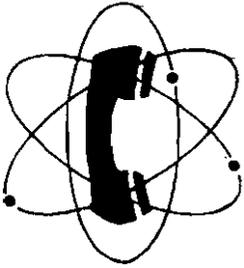
In accordance with 47 C.F.R. §64.1900 of the Commission's rules, please find the attached certification executed by the authorized officer. This document is being filed in order to certify compliance with the geographic rate averaging and rate integration requirements of Section 254(g) of the Act, pursuant to 47 C.F.R. §64.1801 of the Commission's rules.

Please contact me with any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

Gerald G. Washburn  
General Manager

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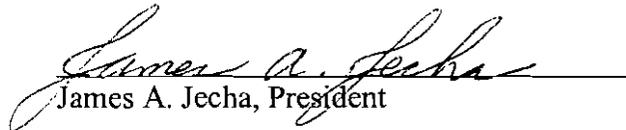
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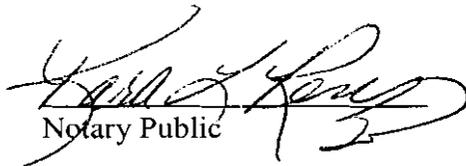
James A. Jecha, being duly sworn, states as follows:

1. I am the President of The Golden Belt Telephone Association, Inc. and am authorized to make this certification on The Golden Belt Telephone Association, Inc.'s behalf.
2. I hereby certify that, to the best of my knowledge, information and belief, The Golden Belt Telephone Association, Inc. is providing interexchange telecommunications services in compliance with the geographic rate averaging and rate integration obligations pursuant to Section 254(g) of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended.

  
James A. Jecha, President

State of Kansas  
County of Rush

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 24<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2009

  
Notary Public

My commission expires: June 17, 2009

