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Date: April 20, 2009

Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary
Office of the Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th 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,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Chuck Helgeson". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the typed name.

Chuck Helgeson
General Manager/CEO

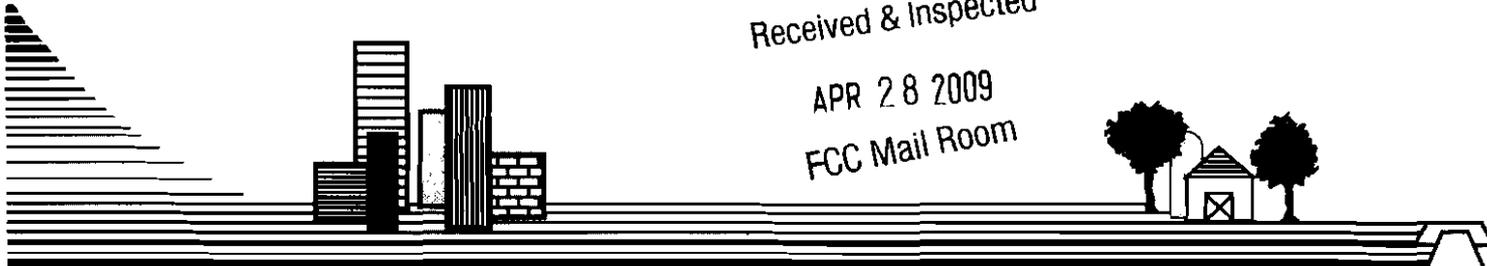
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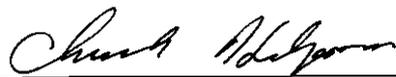
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CERTIFICATION

Chuck Helgerson, being duly sworn, states as follows:

1. I am General Manager/CEO of Eastern Slope Rural Telephone Association, Inc. and am authorized to make this certification on Eastern Slope Rural Telephone Association, Inc.'s behalf.
2. I hereby certify that, to the best of my knowledge, information and belief, Eastern Slope Rural 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.

DATED: April 20, 2009

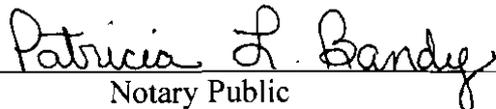


Chuck Helgerson, General Manager/CEO

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 20th day of April,
2009, by Chuck Helgerson.

WITNESS my hand and official seal.

My Commission Expires: 8/9/09



Notary Public

(NOTARIAL SEAL)