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VIA E-MAIL

Karen Majcher
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Re: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service
WC Docket No. 09-197

Dear Secretary Dortch:

On behalf of United States Cellular Corporation (SAC 239006 for North Carolina) ("U.S. Cellular"), please find attached a redacted, public version of a Supplement to U.S. Cellular's 2009 Annual ETC Report under Section 54.209 of the FCC's Rules ("ETC Report"). The attached Supplement has been marked "**REDACTED - FOR PUBLIC INSPECTION.**"

U.S. Cellular is also submitting, under separate cover, a confidential version of this Supplement. The confidential version is marked "**CONFIDENTIAL - NOT FOR PUBLIC INSPECTION.**"

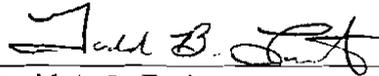
An original and four (4) copies of this Supplement are enclosed. An additional copy has been provided, which you are requested to date-stamp and return in the envelope provided.

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Please contact the undersigned at 703-584-8678 if any questions arise concerning the above-referenced enclosures or if you require any additional information.

Sincerely,



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**Before the
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Washington, D.C. 20054**

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**SUPPLEMENT TO ANNUAL ETC REPORT OF
UNITED STATES CELLULAR CORPORATION
FOR THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA**

United States Cellular Corporation (“U.S. Cellular” or the “Company”), a wireless service provider designated as an Eligible Telecommunications Company (“ETC”) in the State of North Carolina (SAC 239006), hereby supplements its annual compliance filing (“2009 Annual ETC Report” or “Report”) containing information through December 31, 2008, as set forth in the Commission’s *Report and Order* in the above-captioned proceeding (“*ETC Report and Order*”).¹

Pursuant to discussions with Commission staff, U.S. Cellular supplements its 2009 Annual ETC Report for the State of North Carolina by providing the following materials:

- (1) The resubmission of information contained in U.S. Cellular’s 2009 Annual ETC Report for the State of North Carolina regarding unfulfilled requests for service (Supplement Exhibit A);
- (2) Additional outage information affecting U.S. Cellular’s cellular operations in North Carolina, including the steps taken by the Company to prevent similar outages in the future and the estimated number of customers affected by each outage (Supplement Exhibit B).
- (3) A revised coverage map for the State of North Carolina showing the locations of proposed cell sites and coverage (Supplement Exhibit C);²

¹ *Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service, Report & Order*, 20 FCC Rcd 6371 (2005) (“*ETC Report and Order*”).

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U.S. Cellular filed its initial 5-year service quality improvement plan as part of its 2008 Annual ETC Report as required by the *ETC Report and Order*, and consistent with its ETC designation. The Company's original 5-year plan included a listing of the locations of new cell sites and other projected improvements to be built using universal service support for calendar years 2009 to 2013, along with the wire centers and all other information required by 47 C.F.R. § 54.202(a)(1)(ii).

Supplement Exhibit A provides the same information regarding unfulfilled requests for service submitted by U.S. Cellular as part of its 2009 ETC Annual Report for North Carolina.

Supplement Exhibit B provides additional outage information affecting U.S. Cellular's cellular operations in North Carolina, including the steps taken by the Company to prevent similar outages in the future and the estimated number of customers affected by each outage.

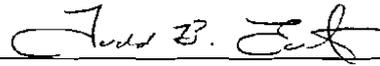
Supplement Exhibit C is a revised map that provides clearer information about the locations of U.S. Cellular's proposed cell sites included in its 5-year plan for North Carolina using USF support, the wire centers in U.S. Cellular's designated ETC service area, and the extent to which they are covered or will be served by new cell sites.

U.S. Cellular is submitting Supplement Exhibits A, B and C with a request for confidential treatment.

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Should any questions arise regarding this supplemental filing, please contact undersigned counsel.

Respectfully submitted,



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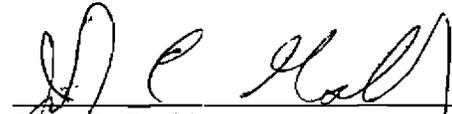
Dated: January 8, 2010

Declaration

I, John C. Gockley, do hereby declare, under penalty of perjury, as follows:

1. I am the Vice President, Legal & Regulatory Affairs of United States Cellular Corporation.
2. This Declaration is submitted in support of United States Cellular Corporation's Supplement to its 2009 Annual ETC Report, pursuant to the Report and Order in the FCC's proceeding entitled *In the Matter of the Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service*, FCC 05-46 (rel., March 17, 2005) and Sections 54.202 and 54.209 of the FCC's Rules.
3. I declare under penalty of perjury that the statements contained in the foregoing Supplement are true and correct to the best of my knowledge, information and belief.

Executed on January 6, 2010



John C. Gockley
Vice President, Legal & Regulatory Affairs
United States Cellular Corporation

SUBSCRIBED, SWORN TO AND ACKNOWLEDGED before me this 6th of January, 2010.





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EXHIBIT A

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EXHIBIT B

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EXHIBIT C

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