

**Before the  
Federal Communications Commission  
Washington, D.C. 20554**

**In the Matter of**

**Federal-State Joint Board  
on Universal Service**

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**WC Docket No. 09-197  
CC Docket 96-45**

**CERTIFICATION**

The undersigned, Mark R. Smith, does hereby certify as follows:

1. I serve as Assistant Secretary for Cellco Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless and each of its subsidiaries and affiliates providing commercial mobile radio service ("CMRS") in the State of North Carolina (collectively, "Verizon Wireless").

2. This certification is submitted in support of Verizon Wireless' 2010 Eligible Telecommunications Carrier Certification and Annual Report.

3. Verizon Wireless has been designated a competitive ETC in areas identified in **Exhibit A** of its 2010 Eligible Telecommunications Carrier Certification and Annual Report.

4. I have reviewed Verizon Wireless' 2010 Eligible Telecommunications Carrier Certification and Annual Report for the State of North Carolina and certify that the facts stated therein, of which I have personal knowledge, are true and correct to the best of my present knowledge, information and belief.

5. Consistent with 47 U.S.C. § 254(e) and 47 C.F.R. §§ 54.7, 54.313 and 54.314, Verizon Wireless certifies that all federal high-cost universal service support received will be used only for the provision, maintenance and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended.

STATE OF MINNESOTA )  
 ) ss.  
COUNTY OF HENNEPIN )

  
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Mark R. Smith  
Assistant Secretary

Subscribed and sworn to before me  
this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of September, 2010.

  
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Notary Public

(NOTARY SEAL)

