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Via ECFS and Electronic Mail

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Re: *In the Matter of Developing a Unified Intercarrier Compensation Regime; Establishing Just and Reasonable Rates for Local Exchange Carriers; Connect America Fund; High-Cost Universal Service Support; A National Broadband Plan for Our Future*, CC Docket No. 01-92; WC Docket No. 07-135; WC Docket No. 10-90; WC Docket No. 05-337; GN Docket No. 09-51
Acknowledgments of Confidentiality for Supplemental Protective Order

Dear Ms. Dortch and Ms. King:

In accordance with the procedures outlined in the *Supplemental Protective Order*¹, DA 11-1525, in the above-captioned proceeding, submitted herewith are Acknowledgments of Confidentiality and License Agreements executed by Michael Shultz of Consolidated Communications Holdings, Inc. ("Consolidated Communications") and Russell M. Blau of Bingham McCutchen LLP, outside counsel to Consolidated Communications, to obtain

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access to the CostQuest Associates Broadband Analysis Tool (“CQBAT”) and other related confidential material filed in the above referenced proceeding.

Respectfully Submitted,

/s/ M. Renee Britt

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APPENDIX A

Acknowledgment of Confidentiality

CC Docket No. 01-92, WC Docket Nos. 05-337, 07-135, 10-90, GN Docket No. 09-51

I hereby acknowledge that I have received and read a copy of the foregoing Supplemental Protective Order in the above-captioned proceedings and the following CostQuest Associates, Inc. Restricted CQBAT License (the "Limited License"), and I understand both.

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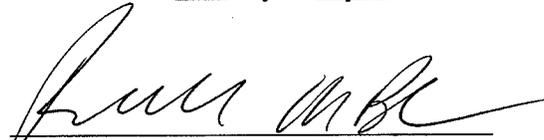
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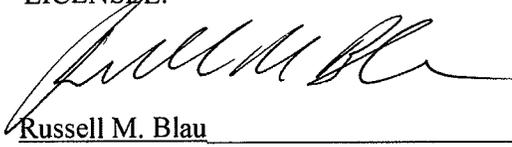
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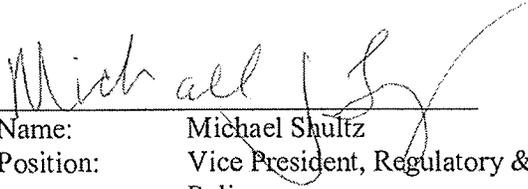
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