ETC Annual Reporting Requirements 47 CFR §54.313(a)(2) through (a)(6) and (h)

Section 1: Certification Required For ALL Recipients of High Cost Support (ILECs and CETCs)

Section 54.313(a)(5)-(6) of the rules of the Federal Communications Commission ("FCC") requires **Valley Telephone Co., LLC** (the "Company") to be able to make certifications regarding service quality standards and consumer protection rules and the Company's ability to function in emergency situations. The Company makes these certifications below

I, **Chad Wachter** am an officer of **Valley Telephone Co., LLC** and hereby certify:

- That the Company is complying with applicable service quality standards and consumer protection rules.
- That the Company is able to function in emergency situations as set forth in §54.202(a)(2).[1]

Name of Officer (Print): **Chad Wachter**

Title: **Vice-President, General Counsel**

Signature:

Date: 6/12/2012

[1] Section 54.202(a)(2) requires ETCs to "demonstrate its ability to remain functional in emergency situations, including a demonstration that it has a reasonable amount of back-up power to ensure functionality without an external power source, is able to reroute traffic around damaged facilities, and is capable of managing traffic spikes resulting from emergency situations."

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Section 2: State-Designated ETC Reporting

In its *Clarification Order*, the FCC required state-designated ETCs that are subject to a state requirement to report to the state some or all of certain information annually, to file a copy of any relevant information with the FCC in 2012.[2] Specifically, state-designated ETCs must file information concerning outages, unfulfilled requests, and complaints as required in Section 54.313(a)(2)-(4) of the FCC's rules if the state requires ETCs to report some or all of this data.

_X_ **Valley Telephone Co., LLC** is located in **Alabama.** This state commission's rules **do not require** state-designated ETCs to file an annual report containing some or all of the following information: information concerning outages, unfulfilled requests and/or complaints. Accordingly, the Company is not subject to this reporting requirement.

Certification of Officer as to the Statements Made Above and Accuracy of Any Data Provided Concerning Outages, Unfulfilled Requests, and/or Complaints

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Signature:

Date: 6/22/12

[2] *Connect America Fund,* WC Docket No. 10-90, *A National Broadband Plan for Our Future,* GN Docket No. 09-51, *Establishing Just and Reasonable Rates for Local Exchange Carriers,* WC Docket No. 07-135, *High-Cost Universal Service Support,* WC Docket No. 05-337, *Developing an Unified Intercarrier Compensation Regime,* CC Docket No. 01-92, *Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service,* CC Docket No. 96-45, *Lifeline and Link-Up,* WC Docket No. 03-109, *Universal Service – Mobility Fund,* WT Docket No. 10-208, Order, DA 12-147 (rel. Feb. 3, 2012) ("*Clarification Order*") at para. 10