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NEXT DAY DELIVERY Pamela Bonrud

Executive Director South Dakota Public Utilities Commission 500 East Capitol Avenue Pierre, SD 57501

> WWC License LLC's Request for Certification As an Eligible RE: Telecommunications Carrier ("ETC") for SAC 399002 GPGN File No. 5925.030691

Dear Ms. Bonrud:

On behalf of WWC License LLC, a subsidiary of Alltel Communications (formerly Western Wireless Corporation), enclosed you will find the original and ten copies of this letter requesting state certification of WWC License LLC for federal universal service support, affidavit of Gene DeJordy supporting certification and, in support of the Affidavit, Confidential Affidavit Exhibit A, providing financial information showing that all support received will be used "only for the provision, maintenance and upgrading of facilities and services for which such support is intended." I would request that the above matter be filed and WWC License LLC be certified.

This request is filed to verify that Alltel will use all federal universal service support only for the provision, maintenance and upgrading of facilities for which the support is intended, as required of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended by the Telecommunications Act of 1996. Please note that Gene DeJordy, Vice President of Regulatory Affairs, Alltel Communications, has executed the request certifying that all funds received will be used in accordance with federal and state laws and implementing rules.

Please note that the financial information attached to the request, Affidavit Exhibit A, has been labeled "Confidential and Proprietary." The information is confidential under A.R.S.D. 20:10:1:39(4) and (5). Because of this, Alltel requests confidential treatment of Exhibit A of the request pursuant to A.R.S.D. 20:10:01:41 and that the material be held confidential for ten years



BEFORE THE SOUTH DAKOTA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

IN THE MATTER OF THE REQUEST OF WWC LICENSE LLC FOR CERTIFICATION REGARDING USE OF FEDERAL UNIVERSAL SERVICE SUPPORT

STATE OF WASHINGTON COUNTY OF KING

REQUEST FOR CERTIFICATION

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BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority, on this day personally appeared Gene DeJordy, Vice President of Regulatory Affairs, of WWC License LLC, a subsidiary of Alltel Communications, (formerly a subsidiary of Western Wireless Corporation), and hereby submits its Request for Certification ("Request") to the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission ("Commission") pursuant to 47 C.F.R. §§ 54.313 and 54.314. In support of this Request, the Company states the following:

1. My name is Gene DeJordy. I am employed by Alltel Communications in the position of Vice President of Regulatory Affairs. In this position, I am personally familiar with the Federal Universal Service support received by WWC License LLC and how the Company uses these funds.

2. On October 18, 2001, the Commission by Order designated WWC License LLC as an Eligible Telecommunications Carrier ("ETC") in certain non-rural telephone company exchanges and notified the Federal Communications Commission ("FCC") and the Universal Service Administrative Company ("USAC") of the designation and, further, on that same date, by additional Order designated Western Wireless as an ETC in certain rural telephone company study areas and requested a compliance filing. *See* Order Designating GCC License Corporation as an Eligible Telecommunications Carrier in Non-Rural Telephone Company Exchanges, No.

law, WWC License LLC will only use Federal universal service support received in 2006 to offset a portion of the Company's costs for the provision of universal service in South Dakota. Federal support will enable WWC License LLC to provide universal service in rural and highcost areas.

The matters addressed above are within my personal knowledge and are true and correct. 7.

Dated this 15^{45} day of August 2005.

Respectfully submitted,

Gene DeJordy, Esquire

AS SWORN TO AND SUBSCRIBED BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority, on this the 15 day of August 2005.

- State of Washington

(Seal)

My Commission Expires: 2-10-08

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