## EXHIBIT C Affidavit

STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA	)
COUNTY OF SANBORN	) ss )

- 1. I am the General Manager of Santel Communications Cooperative, Inc. and am authorized to give this affidavit on behalf of the Company. This affidavit is provided to support the Company's Request for Certification to the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission as contemplated in 47 C.F.R. § 54.314.
- 2. As an authorized representative of the Company, I hereby affirm familiarity with and an understanding of the requirements of the Federal Communications Act of 1934, as amended by the Telecommunications Act of 1996 and the USF/ICC Transformation Order of 2011, with respect to the receipt of any federal universal service funds received as interstate access support, interstate common line support, support provided to competitive eligible telecommunications carriers, Connect America Fund support, and high-cost loop support.
- 3. During 2014, the Company received federal universal service support as shown on Exhibit A to this affidavit and had investment and expenses relating to the provision, maintenance and upgrading of facilities and services for which such support was intended as also shown on Exhibit A. During 2014, the Company used the federal universal service support it received only for the provision, maintenance and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support was intended consistent with 47 U.S.C. § 254(e).
- 4. The Company certifies that it will use the federal universal service support it receives during 2016 only for the provision, maintenance and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended consistent with 47 U.S.C. § 254(e).

5.	The Company certif	ies that it (i)	is in co	mpliance v	with applicable	service quality
standards and	d consumer protection	rules; and (ii	) is able	to function	in emergency s	ituations as se
forth in § 20:	10:32:43:03.					

General Manager

Subscribed and Sworn to before me this 13 day of June 2015

PAMELA KOPFMANN Notary Public SEAL South Dakota

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My Commission Expires:\_