

June 20, 2023

## Via Electronic Filing

Commission Secretary Idaho Public Utilities Commission 472 West Washington Boise, ID 83720-0074

Re:

Docket No. GNR-T-23-01

**Dear Commission Secretary:** 

Enclosed for filing in the above reference docket is Potlach Telephone Company's 2023 annual ETC certification request.

The Company has filed with the FCC and USAC Form 481 (47 C.F.R. §§ 54.313 & 54.422).

Thank you for your assistance in this matter. Please do not hesitate to contact Gail Long at 608.664.2923, if you have any questions or need additional information regarding this filing.

Sincerely,

Amber Gaudreau

Associate Manager - Regulatory Compliance

TDS Telecom (608)-664-4824

Enclosure

cc: Gail Long

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State of	Wisconsin	_ )
County of Dane		) ss )

CERTIFICATION BY ELIGIBLE TELECOMMUNICATIONS CARRIER OF COMPLIANCE WITH SERVICE QUALITY AND CUSTOMER PROTECTION, ABILITY TO REMAIN FUNCTIONAL IN EMERGENCIES, AND USE OF FEDERAL HIGH-COST SUPPORT.

## AFFIDAVIT OF BUSINESS OR CORPORATE OFFICER

The Idaho Public Utilities Commission Order No. 29841requires that Eligible Telecommunications Carriers certify that it is compliant with applicable service quality standards and consumer protection rules; and ETCs must demonstrate the ability to remain functional in emergencies. In addition, the Commission must file an annual certification with the USAC and the FCC that all federal high-cost support provided to ETCs within the State of Idaho will be used only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended. Accordingly, the undersigned states and verifies under oath the following:

- 1. I am an officer of TDS Telecommunications LLC, parent company of Potlatch Telephone Company, d/b/a TDS Telecom, an eligible telecommunications carrier for receiving federal universal service support under section 214(e) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996 in the state of Idaho.
- 2. I am familiar with the Company's day-to-day operations in the state of Idaho and with the State's service quality standards and consumer protection rules as set forth in Commission Order No. 29841.
- 3. Potlatch Telephone Company is complying with applicable service quality standards and consumer protection rules of the Federal Communications Commission and the Idaho Public Utilities Commission.
- 4. I certify to the Commission that the Company is able to remain functional in emergencies as set forth in Commission Order No. 29841 and in 47 C.F.R. § 54.201(a)(2).
- 5. I also certify that all federal universal service support funds received by Potlatch Telephone Company in the previous calendar year, and during the current calendar year, will be used in a manner consistent with section 254(e); that is, for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended. The company will continue to comply for the period of January 1, 2023, through December 31, 2023, to be eligible for federal universal service fund support.

6. This verification and affidavit is provided to be the Idaho Public Utilities Commission to enable the IPUC to certify to the FCC that federal universal service support received by the eligible carriers in the state will be used in a manner consistent with Section 254(e) of the Telecommunications Act.

Joel Dohmeier

Vice President TDS Telecom

Title

Date

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN to before me this

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day of June, 2023.

Kristin Statz

Notary Public for Wisconsin, residing at Madison, Wisconsin

My Commission expires May 2, 2027