



April 16, 2003

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Walter D'Haeseleer, Director Division of Communications Services Florida Public Service Commission 1540 Shumard Oak Boulevard Tallahassee, FL 32399-0850

Re:

Quincy Telephone Company d/b/a TDS TELECOM/Quincy Telephone

Study Area Code: 47 USC 254(e); 47 CFR § 54.314

Dear Mr. D'Haeseleer:

This letter is to request that the Florida Public Service Commission notify the Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC) and the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) that Quincy Telephone Company d/b/a TDS TELECOM/Quincy Telephone ("Quincy") is eligible to receive federal high-cost support in accordance with the above-referenced statute and federal rule.

The amount of federal high-cost support Quincy will receive in 2004 will continue to be used for the services and functionalities outlined in 47 C.F.R. §54.101(a) and as the attached affidavit shows Quincy certifies that it will only use the federal high-cost support it receives for the provision, maintenance and upgrading of facilities and service for which such support is intended.

This state certification for federal support will be an annual process. In order to receive federal support beginning January 1 of each year, the Florida Public Service Commission must file its annual certification on or before October 1 of the year before.

Quincy respectfully requests that the Commission notify the FCC prior to October 1 of this year that Quincy is eligible to receive federal high-cost support for 2004.

Sincerely,

Kevin Hess

Vice President, Government & Regulatory Affairs

Attachment

cc:

David Dowds

Beth Keating



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STATE OF WISCONSIN COUNTY OF DANE

BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority, appeared Kevin Hess who deposed and said:

- 1. My name is Kevin Hess I am employed by TDS TELECOM, the parent company of Quincy Telephone Company d/b/a TDS TELECOM/Quincy ("TDS" or the "Company") as its Vice President, Government and Regulatory Affairs. I am an officer of the Company and am authorized to give this affidavit on behalf of the Company. This affidavit is being given to support the Florida Public Service Commission's certification as contemplated in 47 C.F.R. §54.314.
- 2. TDS TELECOM hereby certifies that it will only use the federal high-cost support it receives during 2004 for the provision, maintenance and upgrading of facilities and service for which such support is intended.

FURTHER AFFIANT SAYETH NOT.

Kevin Hess

Vice President, Government & Regulatory Affairs

STATE OF WISCONSIN COUNTY OF DANE

Acknowledged before me this **th** day of April, 2003, by Kevin Hess, as Vice President, Government & Regulatory Affairs of TDS TELECOM d/b/a TDS TELECOM/Quincy Telephone, who is personally known to me or produced identification and who did take an oath.

GRANT B. SPELLMEYER
NOTARY PUBLIC
STATE OF WISCONSIN

Printed Name of Notary

Personally Known	X	
Produced Identification		
Type of Identification Produced		