**BEFORE THE GEORGIA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

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| **IN RE: GA PSC Docket No. 32235** | ) |

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| **STATE OF GEORGIA** | ) |
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| **COUNTY OF TIFT** | ) |

Personally came and appeared before me, the undersigned Notary, the within named Gordon M. Duff, who is resident of Tift County, State of Georgia, and makes this his/her statement and Affidavit upon oath and affirmation of belief and personal knowledge that the following matters, fact and things set forth below are true and correct to the best of his/her knowledge.

Plant Telephone Company files herewith pursuant to the requirements in Docket No. 32235-U for cost-based funding requests from the Universal Access Fund, O.C.G.A 46-5-167 its Universal Access Fund application with Georgia Public Service Commission under Utility Rule 515-3-1-.11. Said filing includes Company operational and financial data which the company designates as trade secret and protected information as those terms are defined and used in O.C.G.A. § 10-1-761(4).

The information derives economic value to the Company and to the Company's customers from not being generally known to others. Plant Telephone Company submits the data is highly confidential and competitively sensitive. Accordingly, consistent with the Company's own interests, and the interests of its customers, the Company protects against disclosure of this information.

Pursuant to the terms of Commission Rule 515-3-1-.11, Plant Telephone Company is providing information under protective seal (each page is marked "Trade Secret"). In addition to the original marked as Trade Secret" Plant Telephone Company is providing a public disclosure version of the filing with trade secret information redacted.

**Gordon M. Duff**
**Vice President**

SWORN TO and subscribed before me, the undersigned Notary Public, the 28th day of November, 2022

My Commission expires 2-21-25

Notary Public

TANYA HAYES NOTARY PUBLIC COOK COUNTY, GEORGIA MY COMMISSION EXPIRES FEBRUARY 21, 2025