BEFORE THE

GEORGIA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

WAVERLY HALL TELEPHONE COMPANY'S STATEMENT FOR TRADE SECRET PROTECTION

Waverly Hall Telephone Company, Inc. ("Waverly Hall") hereby files this Statement for Trade Secret Protection for Waverly Hall's access line counts, including all associated workpapers, pursuant to Section 515-3-1.11 of the Rules of the Georgia Public Service Commission ("PSC"), and states as follows:

1. Rule 515-3-1.11 requires that a party claiming that information constitutes a trade secret provide, in writing, that basis of this claim. Rule 515-3-1.11(c) specifically requires that this statement detail (1) the economic benefit derived from the information not being generally known; (2) the economic benefit to others if disclosure was to occur and (3) the procedures utilized to maintain confidentiality. This statement is submitted pursuant to those requirements. Waverly Hall is submitting this statement in accordance with the Commission's rules requiring access line counts by exchange and county are Trade Secret.

2. The subject trade secret material is operational data, including all associated workpapers, related to access line counts.

3. The release of the access line counts would create a disadvantage to Waverly Hall by providing its competitors an unfair competitive advantage by disclosing data regarding Waverly Hall's customers that is not generally known and would not be readily ascertainable to third parties by any proper means. Waverly Hall takes all appropriate and legal measures to ensure that such information is disseminated

internally only to those with a need to know, and that all public measures are taken to protect the information when it is required to be filed in a public forum.

4. Release of Waverly Hall proprietary customer information to the general public would provide Waverly Hall's competitors an unfair advantage in a competitive market.

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).

Pursuant to the terms of Commission Rule 515-3-1-.11, Waverly Hall is providing information under protective seal and page has been marked as "Trade Secret". In addition to the marking, Waverly Hall is providing a public disclosure version of the filing with trade secret information redacted.

Anissa Hill

Anissa Hill
Director of Regulatory Compliance and Affairs

SWORN TO and subscribed before me, the undersigned Notary Public, on the 21st day of January 2026.

My Commission expires 08/17/29.

Notary Public

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