BEFORE THE GEORGIA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

IN RE: Docket No. 32235 Generic Proceeding to Implement House Bill 168

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STATE OF GEORGIA)
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COUNTY OF CANDLER)

Personally came and appeared before me, the undersigned Notary, the within named Dustin Durden, who is resident of Candler 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.

Pineland Telephone Cooperative, Inc. files herewith its response to the *Staff's Second Set of Data Requests in Docket 32235* in compliance with Georgia Public Service Commission 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 its customers from not being generally known to others. Pineland Telephone Cooperative, Inc., submits that the data is highly confidential and competitively sensitive. Accordingly, consistent with the Company's own interests and those of its customers, the Company protects this information from disclosure.

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

Dustin Durden
Executive Vice President

SWORN TO and subscribed before me, the undersigned Notary Public, the 5th day of March, 2026

My Commission expires 07/09/2029

Emily Durant Thompson
Notary Public

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