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July 28, 2026

Jason Shaw, Chairman
Georgia Public Service Commission
244 Washington Street
Atlanta, GA 30334

Re: Coastal Electric Membership Corporation dba Coastal Electric Cooperative
Universal Service Certification
47 U.S.C. § 254(e); 47 C.F.R. § 54.314

Dear Chairman Shaw:

This letter requests that the Georgia Public Service Commission ("GPSC") notify the Universal Service Administrative Company ("USAC") and the Federal Communications Commission ("FCC") that Coastal Electric Membership Corporation 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 (Rural Digital Opportunity Fund) Coastal Electric Membership Corporation received in 2025 and will receive in 2027 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 Coastal Electric Membership Corporation certifies that it has and will only use the federal high-cost and CAF 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. To receive federal support beginning January 1 of each year, the GPSC must file its annual certification on or before October 1 of the year before with the FCC.

Coastal Electric Membership Corporation respectfully requests that the GPSC notify the FCC and USAC before October 1 of this year that Coastal Electric Membership Corporation is eligible to receive federal high-cost support for 2027.

Sincerely,

Christopher W. Fettes
Chief Executive Officer
Coastal Electric Membership Corporation

cc: Lauren "Bubba" McDonald, Vice-Chairman
Telecommunications Committee

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AFFIDAVIT

STATE OF GEORGIA (or corporate headquarters location)

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BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority, appeared Christopher W Fettes, who deposed and said:

My name is Christopher W Fettes. I am employed by Coastal Electric Membership Corporation ("Company'), as its Chief Executive Officer. 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 Georgia Public Service Commission's certification as contemplated in 47 C.F.R. § 54.314.

Coastal Electric Membership Corporation certifies that it has and will only use the federal high-cost support (Rural Digital Opportunity Fund) it received during 2025 and will receive in 2027 for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and service for which such support is intended.

FURTHER AFFIANT SAYETH NOT.

Christopher W Fettes
Chief Executive Officer
Coastal Electric Membership Corporation

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Acknowledged before me this 28th day of July 2026, by Christopher W Fettes, as Chief Executive Officer of Coastal Electric Membership Corporation, who is personally known to me or produced identification and who did take an oath.

NOTARY PUBLIC

Taylor E. Lee 2/15/27
Printed Name of Notary

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