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July 29, 2026

Ms. Sallie Tanner
Executive Secretary
Georgia Public Service Commission
244 Washington Street
Atlanta, GA 30334

In RE: GA PSC Docket No. 36946

Ms. Tanner:

Please find attached Ringgold Telephone Company's request to be included in the Georgia Public Service Commission's filing for state certification for federal high-cost support for 2027.

Ringgold Telephone Company submits the original and an electronic copy via the Alternative eFile portal of the request and affidavit.

Sincerely,

Johnny Werner
VP Product Management

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July 29, 2026

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

Re: Ringgold Telephone Company, Study Area Code 220382,
Universal Service Certification 47 USC 254(e); 47 CFR §54.314

Dear Mr. Chairman:

This letter is to request that the Georgia Public Service Commission notify the Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC) and the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) that Ringgold Telephone Company is eligible to receive federal high-cost support in accordance with the above referenced statute and federal rule.

The amount of federal high-cost and Connect America Fund support provided to Ringgold Telephone Company was used in the preceding calendar year 2025 and will be used in the coming calendar year 2027 only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended as outlined in 47 C.F.R. §54.101(a) and as the attached affidavit shows Ringgold Telephone Company 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 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 Georgia Public Service Commission must file its annual certification on or before October 1 of the year before.

Ringgold Telephone Company respectfully requests that Commission notify the FCC prior to October 1 of this year that Ringgold Telephone Company was eligible to receive federal high-cost and Connect America Fund support for 2025 and is eligible to receive federal high-cost support for 2027.

Sincerely,

Johnny Werner
VP Product Management

**AFFIDAVIT**

STATE OF GEORGIA

COUNTY OF CATOOSA

BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority, appeared Josh Roach, who deposed and said:

My name is Josh Roach; I am employed by Ringgold Telephone Company, as its General Manager. 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.

Ringgold Telephone Company certifies that it was eligible to receive federal high-cost and Connect America Fund support for 2025 and will only use the federal high-cost support it receives during 2027 for the provision, maintenance and upgrading of facilities and service for which such support is intended.

FURTHER AFFIANT SAYETH NOT.

Josh Roach
General Manager
Ringgold Telephone Company

STATE OF GEORGIA
COUNTY OF CATOOSA

Acknowledged before me this 29th day of July 2026, by Josh Roach, as an officer of Ringgold Telephone Company, who is personally known to me or produced identification and who did take an oath.

Bethany K Newman
NOTARY PUBLIC

Bethany K Newman
Printed Name of Notary

BETHANY K. NEWMAN
NOTARY PUBLIC
Whitfield County
State of Georgia
My Comm. Expires Jan. 19, 2027

Personally Known X
Produced Identification _____
Type of Identification Produced _____