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Barcy McNeal, Secretary  
Public Utilities Commission of Ohio  
180 East Broad St.  
Columbus, OH 43215

**RE: 17-1115-TP-COI – Annual Filing Requirements for 2017**

Dear Secretary McNeal:

Pursuant to the Commission's July 26, 2017 entry in 17-1115-TP-COI, please find attached an affidavit from Windstream Ohio, Inc. certifying that Universal Service Funds were and will be used for the intended purposes pursuant to 47 U.S.C. 254(e) and 47 C.F.R. 54.314.

Please let me know if you have any questions regarding this filing.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Lezlie Young", with a stylized flourish at the end.

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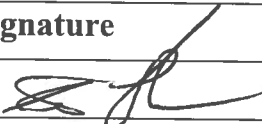
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**Attachment A**  
**254(e) Affidavit for Eligible Telecommunication Carriers**

Affidavit:

As an authorized corporate officer of, **Windstream Ohio Inc.**, I, **Tim Loken**, under penalty of perjury, hereby affirm familiarity with and understanding of the requirements of the Communications Act of 1934 as amended by the Telecommunications Act of 1996 with respect to the receipt of Universal Service funds and affirm that any such funds that were received in the preceding calendar year (2016) were used and will be used in the coming calendar year (2018) only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended pursuant to 47 U.S.C. §254(e) and 47 C.F.R. §54.314.

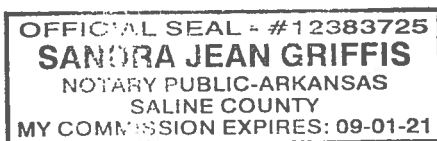
<b>Study Area Code(s)</b>
300665

Signature	Type or Print Name	Date
	Tim Loken	August 1, 2017

Subscribed and Sworn to before me this 1<sup>st</sup> day of August A.D. 20 17.

NOTARY Public *Sandra Jean Griffis*

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