## BEFORE THE STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF KANSAS

In the Matter of Certification of Compliance with Section 254(e) of the Federal Telecommunications Act of 1996 and Certification of Appropriate Use of Kansas Universal Service Fund Support

Docket No. 25-GIMT-332-GIT

### LAHARPE TELEPHONE COMPANY, INC. ELIGIBLE TELECOMMUNICATIONS CARRIER CERTIFICATION AND INFORMATION

Pursuant to Order of the Commission herein LaHarpe Telephone Company, Inc. submits its certification and information supporting its continuing designation as an Eligible Telecommunications Carrier.

LaHarpe Telephone Company, Inc. 's attachments other than Attachments 1 and 5 certifications are filed herewith as proprietary and confidential under seal. The carrier believes that the information contained in these attachments are of such competitive sensitivity that disclosure to any person other than the carrier, the Commission, and Staff is prohibited by K.S.A. 66-1220(a). Disclosure of trade secrets and confidential information to any person, including parties to this proceeding, is prohibited unless the Commission finds the disclosure is warranted, after considering all of the factors in that statute. The carrier believes that disclosure of the information contained in these attachments would have a significant and adverse impact on its competitive stance regarding existing or potential competing entities including wireless carriers, competitive local exchange carriers, and incumbent local exchange carriers. Regulatorily mandated disclosure of any or all of the subject information would create a competitive bias in favor of any actual or potential competitor not required to provide comparable information, reducing or eliminating any benefit to consumers otherwise resulting from unbiased competition and damaging the submitting company's ability to engage in fair competition.

Respectfully submitted,

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#### THE STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF KANSAS

Before Commissioners:

Andrew J. French, Chairperson Dwight D. Keen, Commissioner Annie Kuether, Commissioner

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#### SECTION 254(e) CERTIFICATION FEDERAL HIGH-COST UNIVERSAL SERVICE SUPPORT FCC Docket Reference: CC Docket No. 96-45 and KANSAS UNIVERSAL SERVICE FUND SUPPORT (Please type or print legibly) (Circle all Federal and Kansas Support Received)

1. My title is President of LaHarpe Telephone Company, Inc. In this capacity, I am in a position of authority to direct how federal high-cost Universal Service Fund (USF), including Legacy or Frozen high-cost Loop support (HCL/FHCS), Safety Valve support (SVS), Connect America Cost Model (CACM) support, Connect America Fund (CAF I/CAF II) support, Alternative Connect America Cost Model (A-CAM/ACAM II) support, Enhanced Alternative Connect America Cost Model (Enhanced ACAM), Rural Broadband Experiment support (RBE), Rural Digital Opportunity Fund (RDOF) support, and/or Kansas Universal Service Fund (KUSF) support received will be used and by this certification I am binding LaHarpe Telephone Company, Inc to the statements made in this certification.

2. LaHarpe Telephone Company, Inc was named as an Eligible Telecommunications Carrier (ETC) by the Kansas Corporation Commission (KCC) for federal support purposes in Docket No. 98-GIMT-241-GIT by order dated December 5, 1997 and KUSF support purposes in Docket No. 98-GIMT-241-GIT by order dated GIMT-241-GIT by order dated December 5, 1997

3. By this affidavit, I certify that all federal high-cost USF, including HCL, FHCS, SVS, CAF I/CAF II, A-CAM/ACAM II, Enhanced ACAM, RBE, RDOF, and/or KUSF received by LaHarpe Telephone

# Docket No. 25-GIMT-332-GIT Attachment 1

Company, Inc was used in the proceeding calendar year <u>2024</u> and will be used in the new calendar year <u>2026</u> *only* for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended, consistent with Section 254(e) of the Federal Telecommunications Act, and/or Kansas statutes and KCC requirements.

I certify under penalty of perjury under the laws of the state of Kansas that the foregoing is true and correct.

(Pursuant to Kan. Stat. Ann. 53-601.)

NN Signature Harry Lee, Jr

Printed/Typed Name

Executed on 27 June 2025\_\_\_\_\_ date.

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# Annual ETC Certification of Requirements Imposed by the Commission in Docket Number 06-GIMT-446-GIT

1. Did your company experience any outage in the prior calendar year, as that term is defined in 47 C.F.R. § 4.5, of at least 30 minutes in duration for each service area in which an Eligible Telecommunications Carrier is designated for any facilities it owns, operates, leases, or otherwise utilizes that potentially affect: (i) at least 10% of the end users served in a designated service area; or (ii) a 911 specialty facility as defined in 47 C.F.R. § 4.5(e)?

Yes No)	IF YES, ]	PLEASE CO	<b>OMPLETE</b>	THE FOLLO	<b>OWING:</b>
Date and time of Onset of the Outage	Description of the Outage and its Resolution	Particular services affected	Geographic Areas Affected	Steps Taken to Prevent a Similar Situation in the Future	Number of Customers Affected
24 June 2024 @ 4 PM	Buried cable cut by CLEC KWIKOM. Replaced 300 ft section of fiber optic cable	All services to customers and disruption of auxillary LD route with KFN	Most customers South of Nebraska Rd in our certificated arae	Discussion with management of KWIKOM and request for payment for damamges.	35

(If necessary, please provide additional pages.)

**2.** Please provide the number of requests for service from potential customers within the recipient's service areas that were unfulfilled during the prior calendar year. If applicable, please explain how your company attempted to provide service to those potential customers.

\_\_None\_\_

**3.** Please provide the number of complaints per 1,000 connections (fixed or mobile) in the prior calendar year.

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4. A wireline ETC must certify that it is in compliance with the Commission's quality of service standards and a wireless ETC must certify that it is in compliance with the CTIA Code. Please complete the following, as applicable to your company:

#### QUALITY OF SERVICE <u>WIRELINE</u> ANNUAL CERTIFICATION KCC Docket Reference: 06-GIMT-446-GIT (Please type or print legibly)

1. My title is Harry Lee, Jr of the LaHarpe Telephone Company, Inc. In this capacity, I am in a position of authority to certify whether the Company/ Cooperative is complying with required quality of service standards. I am binding LaHarpe Telephone Company, Inc. to the statements made in this certification.

2. By this affidavit, I certify that LaHarpe Telephone Company, Inc is in compliance with the Commission's quality of service standards as adopted in Docket No. 191,206-U.

I certify under penalty of perjury under the laws of the state of Kansas that the foregoing is true and correct. (Pursuant to Kan. Stat. Ann. 53-601.) Executed on 27 June 2025.

Signature Harry Lee

Printed/Typed Name