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Ms. Lynn M. Retz  
Secretary to the Commission  
Kansas Corporation Commission  
1500 SW Arrowhead Road  
Topeka, KS 66604

Re: Docket No. 17-GIMT-426-GIT

Dear Ms. Retz,

Enclosed please find a copy of the 2017 Connect America Fund and Intercarrier Compensation (CAF/ICC) baseline and eligible recovery data and annual certification for Mutual Telephone Company (MTC). This filing is being made in compliance with FCC requirements.

We are filing the CAF/ICC data proprietary and confidential under seal. Mutual Telephone Company believes that the information contained in the CAF/ICC data is of such competitive sensitivity that its disclosure to any person other than MTC, 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 the CAF/ICC data 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.

Please do not hesitate to call with any questions you may have.

Very truly yours,



Mark E. Caplinger  
Mark E. Caplinger, PA  
Attorney for Mutual  
Telephone Company

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MEC/njm

cc: John Tietjens

TO BE COMPLETED BY THE REPORTING CARRIER.

Certification of Officer as to the Accuracy of the CAF ICC Data Reported				
I certify that I am an officer of the reporting carrier; my responsibilities include ensuring the accuracy of the actual data reported; and, to the best of my knowledge, the information reported on this form is accurate.				
Name of Reporting Carrier: <b>MUTUAL TEL CO</b>				
Signature of Authorized Officer: <b>John Tietjens</b>		Digitally signed by John Tietjens DN: cn=John Tietjens, email=jtietjens@mtc-4me.com, O=mual tel co, l=Little River KS 67457, Date: 5/23/2017		Date: <b>5/23/2017</b>
Printed name of Authorized Officer: <b>John Tietjens</b>				
Title or position of Authorized Officer: <b>President &amp; General Manager</b>				
Telephone number of Authorized Officer: <b>620-897-6200</b>				
Study Area Code of Reporting Carrier	<b>411809</b>		Filing Due Date for this form (mm/dd/yyyy)	<b>6/16/2017</b>
Persons willfully making false statements on this form can be punished by fine or forfeiture under the Communications Act of 1934, 47 U.S.C. §§ 502, 503(b), or fine or imprisonment under Title 18 of the United States Code, 18 U.S.C. § 1001.				

TO BE COMPLETED BY THE REPORTING CARRIER, IF AN AGENT IS FILING DATA ON THE CARRIER'S BEHALF:

Certification of Officer to Authorize an Agent to File Data Reported on Behalf of Reporting Carrier				
I certify that (Name of Agent) <u>National Exchange Carriers Association, Inc.</u> is authorized to submit the information reported on behalf of the reporting carrier. I also certify that I am an officer of the reporting carrier; my responsibilities include ensuring the accuracy of the data provided to the Authorized Agent; and, to the best of my knowledge, the actual data provided to the Authorized Agent is accurate.				
Name of Authorized Agent : <u>National Exchange Carriers Association, Inc.</u>				
Name of Reporting Carrier: <u>MUTUAL TEL CO</u>				
Signature of Authorized Officer:		Digitally signed by John Tietjens DN:cn=John Tietjens,email=jtietjens@mtc4me.com,O=mutual tel co,l=Little River KS 67457, Date:5/23/2017		Date: <u>5/23/2017</u>
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Title or position of Authorized Officer: <u>President &amp; General Manager</u>				
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TO BE COMPLETED BY AN OFFICER OF THE REPORTING CARRIER

**Certification of Officer for Rate-of-Return Carrier Eligibility for CAF/ICC Recovery**

I certify that I am an officer of the reporting carrier and that, to the best of my knowledge, the reporting carrier on this form certifies that it has complied with Eligible Recovery §51.917(d) and Access Recovery Charge §51.917(e) and is eligible to receive the CAF ICC support requested pursuant to §51.917(f).

Name of Reporting Carrier: **MUTUAL TEL CO**

**John Tietjens**

Digitally signed by John Tietjens DN: cn=John Tietjens, email=jtietjens@mtc4me.com, O=Mutual Tel Co, l=Little River KS 67457, Date: 5/23/2017

Signature of Authorized Officer or employee:

Date: **5/23/2017**

Printed name of Authorized Officer or employee: **John Tietjens**

Title or position of Authorized Officer or employee: **President & General Manager**

Telephone number of Authorized Officer or employee: **620-897-6200**

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TO BE COMPLETED BY AN OFFICER OF THE REPORTING CARRIER

**Certification of Officer for Rate-of-Return Carrier Not Seeking Duplicative Recovery**

I certify that I am an officer of the reporting carrier and that, to the best of my knowledge, the reporting carrier is not seeking duplicative recovery in the state jurisdiction for any Eligible Recovery subject to the recovery mechanism as per §51.917(d)(vii).

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