

(16) What are MMC's specific plans for infrastructure improvement and what new technologies does MMC intend to introduce in the rural markets if it obtains ETC status? At what projected cost?

If it obtains ETC status, MMC will use any high cost Universal Service Fund support in accordance with Section 254(e) of the Communications Act and the *Ninth Report & Order And Eighteenth Order On Reconsideration* in CC Docket No. 96-45, 18 CR 710, 14 FCC Rcd 20432 (1999) at para. 97. Accordingly, MMC's high cost support will be used only to provide, maintain and upgrade facilities and services for which the support is intended.

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