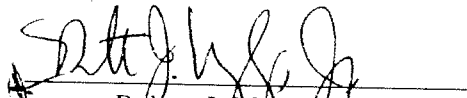




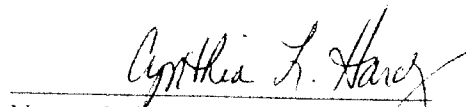
competitors. As a result, access line information at the exchange level of detail is kept confidential by carriers in the industry and is not available to the public in any format.

7. Question 6 on page 3 of the Commission's Annual Report also requires the reporting of sensitive financial information, specifically operating revenues from telecommunications services and other revenues that the Company considers highly confidential.
8. Public disclosure of this business and financial information in the Annual Report would be competitively harmful to the Company in that the reporting of this information at a state-specific level would allow the Company's competitors to determine the extent of the Company's business operations. It would also allow competitors to determine the extent of the Company's network facilities, operating expenses, revenues, customer base and other competitively sensitive information to the detriment of the Company.
9. The Company treats the business and financial information contained in the Annual Report as highly confidential and does not make it publicly available in any format.
10. Although the Company is filing this information with the Commission under seal, it would still be available to the Commission and its Staff.

This concludes my affidavit. I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct to the best of my knowledge, information and belief.

  
Robert J. Murphy, Jr.  
Assistant Secretary

Subscribed and sworn to before this 27th day of March, 2012.

  
Notary Public Cynthia L. Hardy

My Commission Expires: November, 18, 2014

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