





## 54.313 Filing Requirements – Self-Certifier Certifications

### Supporting Regulations

**54.314(b)** – An eligible telecommunications carrier not subject to the jurisdiction of a State that desires to receive support pursuant to the high-cost program must file an annual certification with the Administrator and the Commission stating that all federal high-cost support provided to such carrier was used in the preceding calendar year and will be used in the coming calendar year only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended. Support provided pursuant to the high-cost program shall only be provided to the extent that the carrier has filed the requisite certification pursuant to this section.

**54.314(c)(2)** – An eligible telecommunications carrier not subject to the jurisdiction of a State shall file a sworn affidavit executed by a corporate officer attesting that the carrier only used support during the preceding calendar year and will only use support in the coming calendar year for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which support is intended. The affidavit must be filed with both the Office of the Secretary of the Commission clearly referencing WC Docket No. 14-58 and with the Administrator of the high-cost universal service support mechanism, on or before the deadlines set forth in paragraph (d) of this section. All affidavits filed pursuant to this section shall become part of public record maintained by the Commission.

**54.314(d)** – In order for an eligible telecommunications carrier to receive federal high-cost support, the State of the carrier, if not subject to the jurisdiction of a State, must file an annual certification, as described in paragraph (c) of this section, with both the Administrator and the Commission. Upon the filing of the certification described in this section, support shall be provided in accordance with the following schedule:

- (1) Carriers subject to certifications filed on or before October 1 shall receive support in the first, second, third, and fourth quarters of the succeeding year.
- (2) Carrier subject to certifications filed on or before January 1 shall receive support in the second, third, and fourth quarters of that year. Such carriers shall not receive support in the first quarter of that year.
- (3) Carriers subject to certifications filed on or before April 1 shall receive support in the third and fourth quarters of that year. Such carriers shall not receive support in the first or second quarters of that year.
- (4) Carriers subject to certifications filed on or before July 1 shall receive support beginning in the fourth quarter of that year. Such carriers shall not receive support in the first, second, or third quarters of that year.
- (5) Carriers subject to certifications filed after July 1 shall not receive support in that year.
- (6) Notwithstanding the deadlines in paragraph (d) of this section, a carrier shall be eligible to receive support as of the effective date of its designation as an eligible telecommunications carrier under section 214(e)(2) or (e)(6) of the Act, provided that it files the certification described in paragraph (b) of this section or the state commission files the certification described in paragraph (a) of this section within 60 days of the effective date of the carrier's designation as an eligible telecommunications carrier. Thereafter, the certification required by paragraphs (a) or (b) of this section must be submitted pursuant to the schedule in paragraph (d) of this section.



## Getting Started

### Preparing to Access the System

- Use [Google Chrome](#) (highly recommended), [Firefox](#), or Internet Explorer (version 8 or 9) when completing the 54.314 certification.
  - Screenshots will vary slightly from browser to browser.
  - If using newer versions of Internet Explorer, you may encounter compatibility issues.
- When navigating between screens, do not use your browser back and forward arrows as this will result in exiting the system. Use the buttons provided within the system in order to navigate within and exit the system.



## Establishing Who Can Access the 54.314 Certification System

In order to gain access to the 54.314 certification system, the user must be designated in one of the following roles:

- [FCC Form 498](#) General Contact (as designated in Block 2). Note that if you are not a “corporate officer” you should not certify the 54.314 filing even though you may have access within the filing system. Per 54.314(c)(2) noted earlier in the guide, only a “corporate officer” should certify the 54.314 filing.

Block 2: General Contact Information [All Fields REQUIRED]				See Instruction Section III.C
9	First:	Middle Initial:	Last:	10
General Contact (Company Preparer Name)				Title
11	( )	12	( )	
Phone Number		Ext.	Fax Number	
13	Street Address			
14	Address Line 2			
15	16	17		
City		State	Zip Code + 4	
18	E-mail Address			

- [FCC Form 498](#) Company Officer (as designated in Block 18)

Officer Certification	
Block 18: Authorized Contact Signature [All Fields REQUIRED]	
See Instruction Section III.S	
<p><i>I certify that I am an officer of the above-named service provider, that I am authorized to submit this FCC Form 498 on behalf of the above named service provider, and that to the best of my knowledge, the data set forth in this form is true, accurate, and complete.</i></p> <p><i>Persons willfully making false statements on this form can be punished by fine or forfeiture, under the Communications Act, as amended, 47 U.S.C. Secs. 220(e), 502, 503(b), or fine or imprisonment under Title 18 of the United States Code, 18 U.S.C. Sec. 1001.</i></p>	
Company Officer Information	<input type="checkbox"/> Check this box if this information is the same as the General Contact information (Block 2)
Signature of the Company Officer _____ Date _____	
First: _____	Middle Initial: _____ Last: _____
Printed Name _____	
Title _____	E-mail address _____

- FCC Form 481 Officer (granted access by the General Contact or Company Officer from the FCC Form 498)

If you have questions regarding the FCC Form 498, including setting up user roles such as the FCC Form 481:

- Contact USAC’s Customer Operations team at (888) 641-8722
- Select “Option 3” (FCC Form 498 support)
- Select “Option 1” (logging into E-File)

For more information about E-File users, read the [E-File User Guide](#).



## Accessing the 54.314 Certification System

- Go to E-File (<https://forms.universalservice.org/>).
- Enter your user ID and password in the fields provided.
- Click the box to accept USAC's policy.
- Click on the "Login" button.

**E-File Sign In**

User ID:

Password:

[Forgot password](#)

Click the box to accept.

**IMPORTANT SYSTEM NOTICE** - This system is the property of the Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC) and is to be used to assist individuals with managing their entity's involvement in federal universal service programs. This system may be accessed by authorized users only. By logging in, the user represents himself or herself as an authorized user. This system is monitored, recorded and subject to audit. Any unauthorized use or misuse of this system is strictly prohibited and subject to legal action, including criminal prosecution and civil penalties. Use of this system indicates acceptance of these terms and system monitoring and recording.

- The user will then be able to view the "Information Center" screen. Select the "54.314 Certifications" option located in the panel on the left side.



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- Accept USAC's terms and conditions.

By logging into your account and clicking the **certify** button at the end of the form, you have electronically signed the form. You are reminded that an electronic signature is the same as a handwritten signature on the form.

To see a copy of the Terms and Conditions to which you previously agreed, please click here: [\[Terms and conditions\]](#)

If you click **Accept** you are affirming your compliance and may file the form electronically.  
If you click **Reject** you must file the form in hardcopy.

- Upon hitting the "Accept" button, the officer will access the 54.314 certification system.

**54.314 CERTIFICATION**

Please select the **SPIN**:

Select the Study Area Codes (SACs) to be certified below: Submission Year: 2014

Select All	SAC	SPIN	Carrier Name	State	Carrier Type	Certified Last Year	Certified this Year	Filing Number
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>			





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- The “State” column shows the state in which the telecommunications company is authorized to receive support.
  - The “Carrier Type” column identifies what type of carrier is located in that row (ILEC, CETC, etc.).
  - The “Certified Last Year” column indicates whether the carrier certified the SAC in the prior 54.314 certification.
  - The “Certified This Year” column indicates whether the carrier certified the SAC in the current 54.314 certification.
  - The “Filing Number” column will display a filing number for any SACs which have been certified. Note that it is possible to certify SACs in batches. For example, a user may certify half the SACs in the first filing, and then they might certify the remaining SACs in a second filing.
  - The “Status” column indicates whether the SAC was certified in a timely manner.
- Users are able to filter and sort the SACs listed based on certain criteria. The following columns permit the user to sort: SAC, Carrier Name, State, Carrier Type, and Certified This Year. The following columns permit filters: SAC, Carrier Name, State, and Carrier Type.

### Using the Sort Feature

- Click on the grey double arrow in the “SAC” column in order to filter the SACs in ascending or descending order. The example below, in ascending order, shows the lowest number first.

**54.314 CERTIFICATION**

Please select the SPIN: 143037312

Select the Study Area Codes (SACs) to be certified below: Submission Year: 2014

Select All	SAC	SPIN	Carrier Name	State	Carrier Type	Certified Last Year	Certified this Year	Filing Number
<input type="checkbox"/>	388007	143037312	Standing Rock Telecommunications,	ND	CETC	No	No	
<input type="checkbox"/>	388008	143037312	Standing Rock Telecommunications,	ND	CETC	No	No	
<input type="checkbox"/>	398001	143037312	Standing Rock Telecommunications,	SD	CETC	No	No	
<input type="checkbox"/>	398002	143037312	Standing Rock Telecommunications,	SD	CETC	No	No	

- An option is available to click on the grey double arrow in the “SAC” column in order to filter the 498 ID , but all IDs should match since the only ID displaying should be the ID selected in the “Please select the 498 ID” box.
- Click on the grey double arrow in the “Carrier Name” column in order to filter the carrier names from A to Z or Z to A. The example below starts with A and ends with Z.

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Please select the SPIN:

Select the Study Area Codes (SACs) to be certified below: Submission Year: 2014

Select All	SAC	SPIN	Carrier Name	State	Carrier Type	Certified Last Year	Certified this Year	Filing Number
<input type="checkbox"/>	239017	143000667	United States Cellular Corp - CL	NC	CETC	Yes	No	
<input type="checkbox"/>	129002	143000667	UNITED STATES CELLULAR CORPO	NH	CETC	Yes	No	
<input type="checkbox"/>	199004	143000667	UNITED STATES CELLULAR CORPO	VA	CETC	Yes	No	
<input type="checkbox"/>	299010	143000667	UNITED STATES CELLULAR TELEPH	TN	CETC	Yes	No	

- Click on the grey double arrow in the “State” column in order to sort the states alphabetically. The example below shows four states sorted alphabetically.

54.314 CERTIFICATION

Please select the SPIN:

Select the Study Area Codes (SACs) to be certified below: Submission Year: 2014

Select All	SAC	SPIN	Carrier Name	State	Carrier Type	Certified Last Year	Certified this Year	Filing Number
<input type="checkbox"/>	239017	143000667	United States Cellular Corp - CL	NC	CETC	Yes	No	
<input type="checkbox"/>	129002	143000667	UNITED STATES CELLULAR CORPO	NH	CETC	Yes	No	
<input type="checkbox"/>	299010	143000667	UNITED STATES CELLULAR TELEPH	TN	CETC	Yes	No	
<input type="checkbox"/>	199004	143000667	UNITED STATES CELLULAR CORPO	VA	CETC	Yes	No	

- Click on the grey double arrow in the “Carrier Type” column to sort the carriers alphabetically by various types. The filter for this column is active in the screen shot below but all carriers are CETCs.

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Please select the SPIN:

Select the Study Area Codes (SACs) to be certified below: Submission Year: 2014

Select All	SAC	SPIN	Carrier Name	State	Carrier Type	Certified Last Year	Certified this Year	Filing Number
<input type="checkbox"/>	239017	143000667	United States Cellular Corp - CL	NC	CETC	Yes	No	
<input type="checkbox"/>	129002	143000667	UNITED STATES CELLULAR CORPO	NH	CETC	Yes	No	
<input type="checkbox"/>	299010	143000667	UNITED STATES CELLULAR TELEPH	TN	CETC	Yes	No	
<input type="checkbox"/>	199004	143000667	UNITED STATES CELLULAR CORPO	VA	CETC	Yes	No	

- Click on the grey double arrow in the “Certified this Year” column to sort which SACs have and have not been certified for the current 54.314 filing. Note the example below which groups all “No” responses together.

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Please select the SPIN:

Select the Study Area Codes (SACs) to be certified below: Submission Year: 2014

Select All	SAC	SPIN	Carrier Name	State	Carrier Type	Certified Last Year	Certified this Year	Filing Number
<input type="checkbox"/>	178001	143037171	NEP Cellcorp, Inc.	PA	CETC	No	No	
<input type="checkbox"/>	178002	143037171	NEP Cellcorp, Inc.	PA	CETC	No	No	
<input type="checkbox"/>	178003	143037171	NEP Cellcorp, Inc.	PA	CETC	No	Yes	1
<input type="checkbox"/>	178004	143037171	NEP Cellcorp, Inc.	PA	CETC	No	Yes	1
<input type="checkbox"/>	178005	143037171	NEP Cellcorp, Inc.	PA	CETC	No	Yes	1
<input type="checkbox"/>	178006	143037171	NEP Cellcorp, Inc.	PA	CETC	No	Yes	1
<input type="checkbox"/>	178008	143037171	NEP Cellcorp, Inc.	PA	CETC	No	Yes	1



### Using the Column Filters

- Enter a number in the “SAC” column to locate a specific SAC.

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Please select the SPIN: 143000667

Select the Study Area Codes (SACs) to be certified below: Submission Year: 2014

Select All	SAC	SPIN	Carrier Name	State	Carrier Type	Certified Last Year	Certified this Year	Filing Number
<input type="checkbox"/>	299010							
<input type="checkbox"/>	299010	143000667	UNITED STATES CELLULAR TELEPH	TN	CETC	Yes	No	

- Enter a name in the “Carrier Name” column to locate a specific carrier.

**54.314 CERTIFICATION**

Please select the SPIN: 143000667

Select the Study Area Codes (SACs) to be certified below: Submission Year: 2014

Select All	SAC	SPIN	Carrier Name	State	Carrier Type	Certified Last Year	Certified this Year	Filing Number
<input type="checkbox"/>			CL					
<input type="checkbox"/>	239017	143000667	United States Cellular Corp - CL	NC	CETC	Yes	No	

- Enter state initials in the “State” column in order to locate carriers from a particular state. In the example below, the carrier was able to locate the SAC operating in Tennessee.

**54.314 CERTIFICATION**

Please select the SPIN: 143000667

Select the Study Area Codes (SACs) to be certified below: Submission Year: 2014

Select All	SAC	SPIN	Carrier Name	State	Carrier Type	Certified Last Year	Certified this Year	Filing Number
<input type="checkbox"/>				TN				
<input type="checkbox"/>	299010	143000667	UNITED STATES CELLULAR TELEPH	TN	CETC	Yes	No	

- Enter a carrier type in the “Carrier Type” column in order to locate carriers by type. The example below filters for CETCs. If all SACs are the same type, this filter may not be as useful.

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Please select the SPIN: 143000667

Select the Study Area Codes (SACs) to be certified below: Submission Year: 2014

Select All	SAC	SPIN	Carrier Name	State	Carrier Type	Certified Last Year	Certified this Year	Filing Number
<input type="checkbox"/>					CETC			
<input type="checkbox"/>	129002	143000667	UNITED STATES CELLULAR CORPO	NH	CETC	Yes	No	
<input type="checkbox"/>	199004	143000667	UNITED STATES CELLULAR CORPO	VA	CETC	Yes	No	
<input type="checkbox"/>	239017	143000667	United States Cellular Corp - CL	NC	CETC	Yes	No	
<input type="checkbox"/>	299010	143000667	UNITED STATES CELLULAR TELEPH	TN	CETC	Yes	No	



## Working With Excel

The 54.314 certification system allows users to copy the SACs included in their list and paste these SACs to Excel. To do so, users should follow the below procedures.

- Using your browser, highlight the screen beginning with “Select the Study Area Codes...” all the way through the final column of the last row you would like to highlight. If you highlight the first two rows, it would appear as seen below.

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Please select the SPIN:

Select the Study Area Codes (SACs) to be certified below: Submission Year: 2014

Select All	SAC	SPIN	Carrier Name	State	Carrier Type	Certified Last Year	Certified this Year	Filing Number
<input type="checkbox"/>	129002	143000667	UNITED STATES CELLULAR CORPO	NH	CETC	Yes	No	
<input type="checkbox"/>	199004	143000667	UNITED STATES CELLULAR CORPO	VA	CETC	Yes	No	
<input type="checkbox"/>	239017	143000667	United States Cellular Corp - CL	NC	CETC	Yes	No	
<input type="checkbox"/>	299010	143000667	UNITED STATES CELLULAR TELEPH	TN	CETC	Yes	No	

- Right click into an Excel spreadsheet. Users should have the option to “paste” and to select “match destination formatting.” You should not “paste” and “keep source formatting” as that would make the results difficult to read. After some spacing of the columns, the Excel file should appear as seen below. Note Chrome was used for placing this in Excel below, but your experience may vary based on browser.

SAC	SPIN	Carrier Name	State	Carrier Type	Certified Last Year	Certified this Year	Filing Number	Status
129002	143000667	UNITED STATES CELLULAR CORPORATION	NH	CETC	Yes	No		
199004	143000667	UNITED STATES CELLULAR CORPORATION	VA	CETC	Yes	No		

- Please repeat the above copy and paste procedures until all desired SACs have been placed in Excel. Due to the scroll bar in the 54.314 certification system, longer SAC lists will require more than one paste.



### Selecting SACs for Certification

- Select SACs to be certified for the current year by checking the box in the left column. The “Select All” button can be used to check every box automatically, but in the example below, only two SACs were selected.

**54.314 CERTIFICATION**

Please select the SPIN:

Select the Study Area Codes (SACs) to be certified below: Submission Year: 2014

Select All	SAC	SPIN	Carrier Name	State	Carrier Type	Certified Last Year	Certified this Year	Filing Number
<input type="checkbox"/>								
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	129002	143000667	UNITED STATES CELLULAR CORPO	NH	CETC	Yes	No	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	199004	143000667	UNITED STATES CELLULAR CORPO	VA	CETC	Yes	No	
<input type="checkbox"/>	239017	143000667	United States Cellular Corp - CL	NC	CETC	Yes	No	
<input type="checkbox"/>	299010	143000667	UNITED STATES CELLULAR TELEPH	TN	CETC	Yes	No	

- Click the “Proceed to Certification” button to continue to the certification form screen. Note that you will be unable to proceed unless you select at least one SAC.

**54.314 CERTIFICATION**

Please select the SPIN:

Select the Study Area Codes (SACs) to be certified below: Submission Year: 2014

Select All	SAC	SPIN	Carrier Name	State	Carrier Type	Certified Last Year	Certified this Year	Filing Number
<input type="checkbox"/>								
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	129002	143000667	UNITED STATES CELLULAR CORPO	NH	CETC	Yes	No	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	199004	143000667	UNITED STATES CELLULAR CORPO	VA	CETC	Yes	No	
<input type="checkbox"/>	239017	143000667	United States Cellular Corp - CL	NC	CETC	Yes	No	
<input type="checkbox"/>	299010	143000667	UNITED STATES CELLULAR TELEPH	TN	CETC	Yes	No	



## Certifying the 54.314

After selecting SACs for certification and proceeding to the next screen, you will be presented with a page that summarizes your selections and allows you to officially complete your 54.314 certification.

Please fill out the Certification Form below

**Submission Year:** 2014  
\* Required fields

**Certification Form**

Name of Certifying Officer: \*

Title or Position of Certifying Officer: \*

Telephone Number of Certifying Officer: \*

Extension of Certifying Officer:

Email Address of Certifying Officer: \*

**Re: CC Docket No. 96-45/WC Docket No. 10-90, Annual Self Certification of support for Eligible Telecommunications Carriers Pursuant to 47 C.F.R. & 54.314**

Pursuant to the requirements of 47 C.F.R § 54.314, the **Yakima MSA Limited Partnership** hereby certifies to the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) and the Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC) that the Study Area Codes (SACs) listed below are eligible to receive federal high-cost support for the program years cited.

I certify that for the Study Area Codes (SACs) listed below all federal high-cost support provided to **Yakima MSA Limited Partnership** was used in the preceding calendar year (**2013**) and will be used in the coming calendar year (**2015**) only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended.

Selected Eligible Carriers		
SAC	SPIN	Carrier Name
129002	143000667	UNITED STATES CELLULAR CORPORATION
199004	143000667	UNITED STATES CELLULAR CORPORATION

Please review the information above before proceeding.

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Certifying officers should complete this page using the following procedures:

- In the first blank field, enter the name displayed on the “Information Center” page in E-File when you first log into E-File with your user ID and password (certifying officer name). If your entry in any way deviates from the name displayed on the “Information Center” page (such as middle initials), the filing will not successfully certify.
  - Example name on “Information Center” page, top right corner:



- Unsuccessful name where the name entered does not match the name on the “Information Center” page of E-File:

**54.314 CERTIFICATION**

Please fill out the Certification Form below

Submission Year: 2014

\* Required fields

Certification Form

Name of Certifying Officer: \*  ✘ Officer's Name does NOT match the name associated with the user

- Successful name where the name entered matches the name on the “Information Center” page of E-File:

**54.314 CERTIFICATION**

Please fill out the Certification Form below

Submission Year: 2014

\* Required fields

Certification Form

Name of Certifying Officer: \*

- In the second blank field, enter the title of the certifying officer. This field is required.
- In the third blank field, enter the telephone number of the certifying officer. This phone number should be entered in the below format. This field is required.



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- o Unsuccessful telephone number:

### 54.314 CERTIFICATION

Please fill out the Certification Form below

Submission Year: 2014

\* Required fields

Certification Form

Name of Certifying Officer: \*

Title or Position of Certifying Officer: \*

Telephone Number of Certifying Officer: \*  ✘ The Telephone Number is not in the correct format.

- o Successful telephone number:

### 54.314 CERTIFICATION

Please fill out the Certification Form below

Submission Year: 2014

\* Required fields

Certification Form

Name of Certifying Officer: \*

Title or Position of Certifying Officer: \*

Telephone Number of Certifying Officer: \*

- In the fourth blank field, enter the extension of the certifying officer. This field is optional.
- In the fifth blank field, enter the email address of the certifying officer. This field is required. The confirmation email for 54.314 certification will not be delivered to this email address. Instead, confirmation will be sent to the email address of the account currently logged in to E-File.
- As part of your certification, note the language from 54.314 provided on the certification form screen.

**Re: CC Docket No. 96-45/WC Docket No. 14-58, Annual Self Certification of support for Eligible Telecommunications Carriers Pursuant to 47 C.F.R. & 54.314**

Pursuant to the requirements of 47 C.F.R § 54.314, the **DeKalb Telephone Cooperative** hereby certifies to the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) and the Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC) that the Study Area Codes (SACs) listed below are eligible to receive federal high-cost support for the program years cited.

I certify that for the Study Area Codes (SACs) listed below all federal high-cost support provided to **DeKalb Telephone Cooperative** was used in the preceding calendar year (**2013**) and will be used in the coming calendar year (**2015**) only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended.



- As part of your certification, note the SACs you selected in the prior screen will now appear in the bottom of the certification form screen.

Selected Eligible Carriers		
SAC	SPIN	Carrier Name
129002	143000667	UNITED STATES CELLULAR CORPORATION
199004	143000667	UNITED STATES CELLULAR CORPORATION

Please review the information above before proceeding.

- Once ready to certify the SACs, click the “Certify” button on the bottom right side of the screen.

Please review the information above before proceeding.

- Once you click the “Certify” button, you will see a pop-up box which asks, “Are you sure you want to certify those Study Area Codes (SACs)?” Click the “OK” button to proceed.

The page at hc-dev1351.hcli.usacdev.loc:8080 says: ✕

Are you sure you want to certify these Study Area Codes (SACs)?



## 54.314 Certification Confirmation

- The congratulations screen identifies the filing number, certification date, who created the filing, whether it was state certified or self-certified, and a note about where the confirmation email was provided. The email address associated with the account logged into E-File is the email address which received the email confirmation.
- The congratulations screen will also display which SACs were certified.

**54.314 CERTIFICATION**

**Congratulations. The Study Area Codes (SACs) you selected for this filing have been successfully certified.**

Filing Number: 1  
 Certification Date and Time: 08/13/2014 06:14 PM  
 Filing Created By: Brandon Ruffley  
 Certification Type: Self-Certified  
 A confirmation e-mail has been sent to bruffley@usac.org

Your certification results are listed below:

Certified Submissions				
SAC	Carrier Name	Preceding Year	Upcoming Year	Status
129002	UNITED STATES CELLULAR CORPORATION	2013	2015	Certified Online
199004	UNITED STATES CELLULAR CORPORATION	2013	2015	Certified Online

Exit to E-File Portal
Return to Selection
Download PDF File
Print Confirmation Page

- We recommend you use the “Print Confirmation Page” button to print a hard copy of this confirmation for your own records. Screens may vary with browser selection. Also please note that once you leave this page, you will not be able to print or reproduce the confirmation page again at a later time, however you will be able to download the PDF version of your certification as described in the next section.

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Your certification results are listed below:

Certified Submissions				
SAC	Carrier Name	Preceding Year	Upcoming Year	Status
129002	UNITED STATES CELLULAR CORPORATION	2013	2015	Certified Online
199004	UNITED STATES CELLULAR CORPORATION	2013	2015	Certified Online

[Exit to E-File Portal](#)
[Return to Selection](#)
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- The following screen (using Chrome) will then appear.

Print

Destination: \\usac-vs043\6th\_North...  
[Change...](#)

Pages:  All  
 e.g. 1-5, 8, 11-13


Copies: 1

Layout:  Portrait  
 Landscape

Margins: Default

Options:  Headers and footers  
 Two-sided  
 Background colors and images

8/13/2014 Online Certification System - E-File - USAC.org



USAC Home | High Cost Program | Search Tools | 54.314 Certification

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### 54.314 CERTIFICATION

**Congratulations. The Study Area Codes (SACs) you selected for this filing have been successfully certified.**

Filing Number: 1  
 Certification Date and Time: 08/13/2014 09:14 PM  
 Filing Created By: Brandon Ruffley  
 Certification Type: Self-Certified  
 A confirmation e-mail has been sent to bruffley@usac.org

Your certification results are listed below:

Certified Submissions				
SAC	Carrier Name	Preceding Year	Upcoming Year	Status
129002	UNITED STATES CELLULAR CORPORATION	2013	2015	Certified Online
199004	UNITED STATES CELLULAR CORPORATION	2013	2015	Certified Online

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## 54.314 Self-Certifier Certification



- The “Download PDF File” button allows you to save and reproduce your completed certification containing the applicable language from Section 54.314 of the FCC rules. (Example PDF shown below).

Your certification results are listed below:

Certified Submissions				
SAC	Carrier Name	Preceding Year	Upcoming Year	Status
129002	UNITED STATES CELLULAR CORPORATION	2013	2015	Certified Online
199004	UNITED STATES CELLULAR CORPORATION	2013	2015	Certified Online

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**54.314(b) Self-Certification**  
Submission Year: **2014**

**Re: CC Docket No. 96-45/WC Docket No. 14-58, Annual Self Certification of support for Eligible Telecommunications Carriers Pursuant to 47 C.F.R. & 54.314**

Pursuant to the requirements of 47 C.F.R § 54.314, the **Yakima MSA Limited Partnership** hereby certifies to the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) and the Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC) that the Study Area Codes (SACs) listed below are eligible to receive federal high-cost support for the program years cited.

I **Brandon Ruffley** certify that for the Study Area Codes (SACs) listed below all federal high-cost support provided to **Yakima MSA Limited Partnership** was used in the preceding calendar year ( **2013** ) and will be used in the coming calendar year ( **2015** ) only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended. <sup>1</sup>

**ETCs CERTIFIED BY Yakima MSA Limited Partnership**

Company Name	SAC
UNITED STATES CELLULAR CORPORATION	129002
UNITED STATES CELLULAR CORPORATION	199004

Signed,

Signature of Certifying Officer: Certified On-Line  
 Name of Certifying Officer: Brandon Ruffley  
 Title or Position of Certifying Officer: CEO  
 Telephone Number of Certifying Officer: 5555555555 Ext  
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 Date: 08/18/2014

## 54.314 Self-Certifier Certification



- Please note that if you accidentally certify a SAC that you should not have certified, you will be unable to undo your certification. Once a SAC is certified, it appears certified permanently. The only additional action that can be taken is to certify additional SACs that have not yet been certified. If you would like to remove a certification from a SAC, please contact USAC at [hccerts@usac.org](mailto:hccerts@usac.org).



## Filing Multiple Certifications

In the event you do not certify all SACs within one session, you have the opportunity to log back into the system and certify the remaining SACs. To certify additional SACs, perform the following procedures.

- Log into E-File just as was done for the original filing. You should see a screen that shows certified and non-certified SACs.

**54.314 CERTIFICATION**

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Please select the SPIN:

Select the Study Area Codes (SACs) to be certified below: Submission Year: 2014

Select All	SAC	SPIN	Carrier Name	State	Carrier Type	Certified Last Year	Certified this Year	Filing Number
<input type="checkbox"/>	239017	143000667	United States Cellular Corp - CL	NC	CETC	Yes	No	
<input type="checkbox"/>	299010	143000667	UNITED STATES CELLULAR TELEPH	TN	CETC	Yes	No	
<input type="checkbox"/>	129002	143000667	UNITED STATES CELLULAR CORPO	NH	CETC	Yes	Yes	1
<input type="checkbox"/>	199004	143000667	UNITED STATES CELLULAR CORPO	VA	CETC	Yes	Yes	1

- SACs which were previously certified are now greyed out and can no longer be selected.
- The "Filing Number" column shows all SACs included in previously filed certification sets. Clicking the PDF icon next to the filing number will open the certification that was created when that specific filing was certified.

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<input type="checkbox"/>	239017	143000667	United States Cellular Corp - CL	NC	CETC	Yes	No	
<input type="checkbox"/>	299010	143000667	UNITED STATES CELLULAR TELEPH	TN	CETC	Yes	No	
<input type="checkbox"/>	129002	143000667	UNITED STATES CELLULAR CORPO	NH	CETC	Yes	Yes	1
<input type="checkbox"/>	199004	143000667	UNITED STATES CELLULAR CORPO	VA	CETC	Yes	Yes	1

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- The “Status” column indicates whether a SAC has been certified “Timely” or not. Certifications are due on October 1 of each year.

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SAC	SPIN	Carrier Name	State	Carrier Type	Certified Last Year	Certified this Year	Filing Number	Status
017	143000667	United States Cellular Corp - CL	NC	CETC	Yes	No		
010	143000667	UNITED STATES CELLULAR TELEPH	TN	CETC	Yes	No		
002	143000667	UNITED STATES CELLULAR CORPO	NH	CETC	Yes	Yes	1	Timely
004	143000667	UNITED STATES CELLULAR CORPO	VA	CETC	Yes	Yes	1	Timely

- In order to certify additional SACs, click the box in the white rows.

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Select All	SAC	SPIN	Carrier Name	State	Carrier Type	Certified Last Year	Certified this Year	Filing Number
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	239007	143000667	United States Cellular Corp - CL	NC	CETC	Yes	No	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	209010	143000667	UNITED STATES CELLULAR TELEPH	TN	CETC	Yes	No	
<input type="checkbox"/>	129002	143000667	UNITED STATES CELLULAR CORPO	NH	CETC	Yes	Yes	1
<input type="checkbox"/>	199004	143000667	UNITED STATES CELLULAR CORPO	VA	CETC	Yes	Yes	1

- Then click the “Proceed to Certification” button just as you did for the original filing (#1).



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Select All	SAC	SPIN	Carrier Name	State	Carrier Type	Certified Last Year	Certified this Year	Filing Number
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	239017	143000667	United States Cellular Corp - CL	NC	CETC	Yes	No	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	299010	143000667	UNITED STATES CELLULAR TELEPH	TN	CETC	Yes	No	
<input type="checkbox"/>	129002	143000667	UNITED STATES CELLULAR CORPO	NH	CETC	Yes	Yes	1
<input type="checkbox"/>	199004	143000667	UNITED STATES CELLULAR CORPO	VA	CETC	Yes	Yes	1

- Please review the “Certifying the 54.314” section located above and proceed in the same manner for certifying subsequent filings.
- Certify other 498 IDs using the same procedures outlined in this user guide. Remember that a single filing can only cover the SACs of a single 498 ID and that multiple 498 IDs will require multiple filings.



## 54.314 Filing with the FCC

Carriers filing through E-File can print out copies of the 54.314 letter to be filed with the FCC and other regulatory entities.

- Go to the SAC selection screen (shown below).
- Click on the PDF icon in the “Filing Number” column of this screen. This will appear for rows that are greyed out since these SACs have been certified. When viewing a PDF, note that the certification will display all SACs that were certified during that filing. For example, the PDF next to filing #1 would include the two SACs displayed below with that filing number. You would need to print one PDF of each filing number in order to have a complete submission to the FCC.

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<input type="checkbox"/>	129002	143000667	UNITED STATES CELLULAR CORPO	NH	CETC	Yes	Yes	1
<input type="checkbox"/>	199004	143000667	UNITED STATES CELLULAR CORPO	VA	CETC	Yes	Yes	1

- Print the PDF version of the 54.314 certification.
- Please note that submission of the 54.314 certification letter through E-File is a submission to USAC only. Carriers must file with the FCC separately either on or before the deadline. Carriers may use the 54.314 certification PDF to file with the FCC.
- The below address should be used for filing with the FCC. If you have any further detailed questions about how to file with the FCC, please direct those questions to the FCC.

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