

**Sample 54.314(a) State Certification Letter
2017 Submission**

Date: _____

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Re: CC Docket No. 96-45/WC Docket No. 14-58, Annual State 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 _____
[*name of state commission*] hereby certifies to the Federal Communications Commission and
the Universal Service Administrative Company that the telecommunications carriers included
in this letter are eligible to receive federal high-cost support for the program years cited.

The _____ [*name of state commission*] certifies for the
carriers listed all federal high-cost support provided to such carriers within [*state name*] was
used in the preceding calendar year (**2016**) and will be used in the coming calendar year
(2018) only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which
the support is intended.¹

| Company Name | Study Area Code |
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Check if list of certified carriers is attached.

Signed,

Signature of State Representative

Title

Contact phone # _____

¹ 47 C.F.R. §54.314(a) (“Certification. States that desire eligible telecommunications carriers 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 carriers within that State 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. High-cost support shall only be provided to the extent that the State has filed the requisite certification pursuant to this section.”).