



April 7, 2021  
*Via Electronic Filing*

Mr. Will Seuffert  
Executive Secretary  
Minnesota Public Utilities Commission  
121 Seventh Place E, Suite 350  
St. Paul, MN 55101-2147

**Re: Docket No. P558/M-21-132 Red River Rural Telephone Association dba Red River Communications Petition for Designation as an Eligible Telecommunications Carrier**

Dear Mr. Seuffert:

On February 15, 2021, Red River Rural Telephone Association dba Red River Communications (Red River) filed with the Minnesota Public Utilities Commission (PUC) a Petition for Designation as an Eligible Telecommunications Carrier pursuant to Red River's participation, and subsequent award, in the FCC's Rural Digital Opportunity Fund Auction. Red River hereby submits this notice to clarify the voice service it offers.

Red River provides high quality broadband Internet service and interconnected VoIP services. The FCC identifies Over-the-top (OTT) interconnected VoIP as service delivered to the end-user customer's premises over a high-capacity connection that the customer obtains from an entity not affiliated with the VoIP service provider. This is not the type of interconnected VoIP Red River provides. In contrast, Red River provides interconnected VoIP service to customers while maintaining the direct customer relationship. Red River interconnects to the customer, handles all service billing, and responds to customer inquiries itself. All references in its Petition and to its VoIP voice services are based upon this definition of interconnected VoIP and not OTT VoIP.

Pursuant to the above clarification, Red River submits the following changes to its original Petition:

1. Summary of Filing, Page 1: The last sentence beginning "Outside its ILEC service area..." should be replaced with "Outside its ILEC service area, including the RDOF census blocks in Exhibit A, Red River provides only broadband Internet services and interconnected VoIP services."
2. Petition of Red River Rural Telephone Association dba Red River Communications for Expanded Designation as an Eligible Telecommunications Carrier, Page 3: The first sentence of the second paragraph beginning with "Red River will provide only broadband..." should be replaced with "Red River will provide only broadband Internet services and interconnected VoIP services in these census blocks."



Please contact the undersigned if any further information is needed.

Sincerely,

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Enclosure(s)

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