



Garden Valley Telephone Company 201 Ross Ave, Erskine MN 56535

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Minnesota Public Utilities Commission 121 7th Place E Suite 350 Saint Paul, Minnesota 55101

Dear Commissioners:

This letter is to inform the Commission that Garden Valley Telephone Company ("Garden Valley") won the FCC Connect America Fund II reverse auction for certain census blocks. Accordingly, Garden Valley will build out its network to make service available to locations within certain census blocks and will receive universal service funding based on FCC rules.

The Commission granted the Garden Valley petition for Eligible Telecommunications Carrier ("ETC") status in Docket 17-835 for the Thief River Falls and Mahnomen Minnesota exchanges. This enables Garden Valley to be reimbursed under the FCC's Lifeline program for providing discounted telecommunications services to qualifying customers in CLEC exchanges.

The attached map distinguishes the CAF II census blocks area as compared to the broader exchange areas where the Commission granted ETC designation for the purpose of the Lifeline discount to qualifying customers.

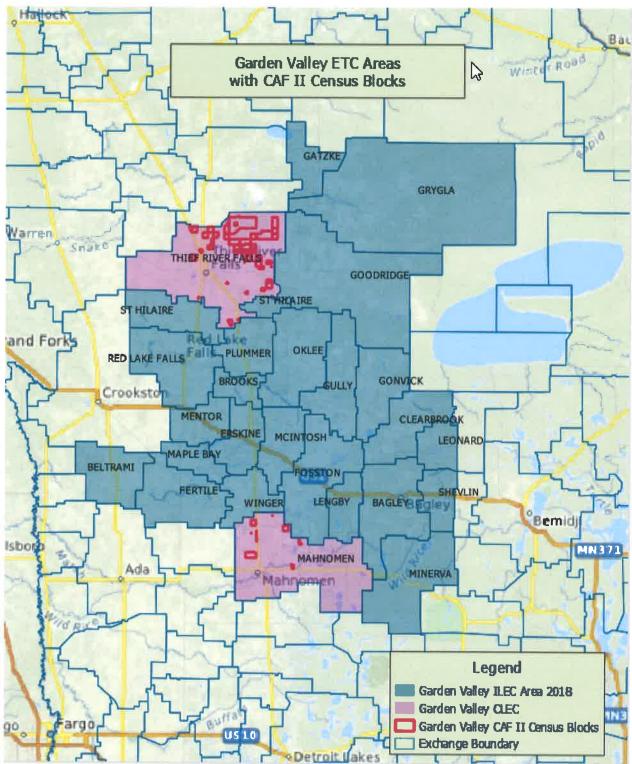
If you have any questions in this matter please contact me.

Sincerely,

Tim Brinkman General Manager

Attachments:

Map of GVTC ETC area and CAF II census Blocks List of CAF II census blocks to be served by Garden Valley



ETC Service Areas: Thief River Falls and Mahnomen exchanges where CenturyLink QC is the incumbent local exchange carrier.

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CAF II Census Blocks (new)

Census Block	Exchange
270879401002005	MAHNOMEN
270879401002026	MAHNOMEN
270879401002032	MAHNOMEN
270879401002035	MAHNOMEN
270879401002080	MAHNOMEN
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270879401002106	MAHNOMEN
270879401002137	MAHNOMEN
270879401002155	MAHNOMEN
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270890801002115	THIEF RIVER FALLS
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