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Central Records Filing Clerk Public Utility Commission of Texas 1701 N. Congress Avenue Austin, Texas 78711

Re:

Docket No. 30238 - Annual Reports Regarding the Use of Historically Underutilized

Business (HUB Report-Telephone)

Dear Filing Clerk:

On behalf of Mid-Plains Rural Telephone Cooperative, Inc. ("Mid-Plains"), I am submitting an original and two (2) copies of Mid-Plains' Historically Underutilized Business Report ("HUB") pursuant to 16 Tex. Admin. Code § 26.80 for filing in the above-referenced proceeding. Pursuant to the Commission's procedural rules, Mid-Plains is filing its HUB confidentially because it contains information submitted by a potential vendor or contractor that is not publicly available from any other source. Such information is proprietary and competitively sensitive information that is protected from public disclosure under Section 552.128 of the Texas Public Information Act, TEX. GOV'T CODE ANN. §§ 552.001 - .353 (Vernon 2004 and Supp. 2009) or any other provision which may apply. If such information is divulged, it would cause competitive disadvantage and harm because it would give advantage to Mid-Plains' competitors and is therefore exempt from disclosure.

Please file-stamp the additional copies and return them to me by way of the courier. Any questions or comments may be directed to me at the above-listed address and telephone number. Your cooperation in this matter is greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

Cindy Neugebauer

Authorized Representative for

Mid-Plains Rural Telephone Cooperative, Inc.

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