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Re: Project No. 32182 – Investigation of Methods to Improve Electric
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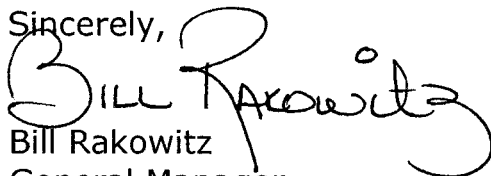
Dear Sir or Madam:

On behalf of Ganado Telephone Company, Inc. ("Ganado" or
"Company"), I am filing an original and ten (10) copies of the
Company's response to the Commission Staff's data request in the
above referenced Project.

In order to lessen the potential for damage and service outages that
can result from Gulf Coast Hurricanes, Ganado is aggressively working
towards eliminating all aerial cabling from our infrastructure. We are
currently engineering and seeking USDA funding to replace the
Company's aerial plant with buried facilities.

Annually, Ganado hires and utilizes local high school students during
the summer months with the primary goal of cable route maintenance
and vegetation control. Further, on an as needed basis, the Company
contracts professional tree trimmers to clear major tree growth away
from our cable and plant facilities. Ganado's outside plant personnel
are also responsible for inspecting and reporting any defects or
hazardous conditions affecting the structural integrity of the
Company's overhead facilities. These programs allow Ganado to
manage vegetation and tree growth during the peak growing times
and to be prepared for the beginning of hurricane season.

Sincerely,


Bill Rakowitz
General Manager

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