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RE: Project No. 41505 - *Compliance Proceeding for Eligible Telecommunications Carriers to Submit Five-Year Plans Pursuant to P. U. C. Subst. R. 26.402*

Dear Ms. Hudgins:

On behalf of ConNEXTions Telcom (the Company), by this letter the Company informs the Commission that it is not required to file a five year service improvement plan pursuant to SUBST. R. §26.402. ConNEXTions Telcom is a competitive eligible telecommunications carrier (ETC) and eligible telecommunications provider (ETP) having received its ETC/ETP designation from the Commission in 2001. The Company does not receive federal high-cost support.

In the preamble to the Commission's Order adopting this rule, the Commission explained that the requirements to file 5-year plans and annual updates were intended to be "applicable only to those carriers which are required by the FCC to file identical information with the FCC" and the Commission did not intend to "burden carriers who would not otherwise be doing so with preparation of five-year plans and annual updates."¹

In its March 5, 2013 Order, the FCC clarified that competitive ETCs that had not previously filed a five-year plan with the FCC, and whose support is being phased down, are not required to file new five-year plans and annual updates.² Additionally, annual reporting requirements in 47 C.F.R. 54.313, including progress reports on five-year service quality improvement plans only apply to recipients of high-cost support. ConNEXTions Telcom does not receive federal high-cost universal service support, therefore, is exempt from filing the five-year plans and annual updates.

¹ Project No. 39939, Order Adopting New §26.402 as Approved at the October 12, 2012 Open Meeting at 12.

² In the Matter of Connect America Fund, WC Docket No. 10-90, etc. (rel. March 5, 2013), para. 6-7.

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Please contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jean Langkop".

Jean Langkop
Authorized Representative
ConNEXTions Telcom

cc: Mr. Steven Steele, ConNEXTions Telcom
Ms. Sharon Hurley, ConNEXTions Telcom