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Gary Widerburg Commission Administrator Utah Public Service Division Heber M. Wells Building 160 East 300 South Street Salt Lake City, Utah 84111

Re: McLeodUSA Telecommunications Services, LLC's Application for Waiver of Telecommunications Bond Requirement

Dear Mr. Widerburg:

McLeodUSA Telecommunications Services LLC's ("McLeod") hereby requests a waiver of the bond requirement outlined in Utah Administrative Code R746-349-3(2). McLeod received authority to operate in Utah on May 19, 1998, in Docket No. 98-2249-01, with a requirement to post and maintain a bond in the amount of \$100,000. This bond requirement was tied to the need to provide security for customer deposits and other customer liabilities.

McLeod now requests a waiver of this requirement as it does not require customer deposits or customer prepayments of any kind. In addition, McLeod has and remains compliant with the Utah Public Telecommunications Service Support Fund and the Hearing and Speech Impaired Fund.

If you have any questions regarding this request, please feel free to contact me or Shea Guillot, Regulatory Analyst (<u>Shea.Guillot@windstream.com</u>).

Sincerely,

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