In the Matter of

Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service

Virginia Cellular, LLC

Petition for Designation as an Eligible Telecommunications Carrier in the State of Virginia

To: Wireline Competition Bureau

Amendment to Petition for Designation as an Eligible Telecommunications Carrier

Virginia Cellular, LLC ("Virginia Cellular"), by counsel, hereby amends its Petition for Designation as an Eligible Telecommunications Carrier ("ETC") in the State of Virginia ("Petition"). Specifically, Virginia Cellular requests the redefinition of the service area of Mountain Grove-Williamsville Telephone Company ("MGW").

Specifically, Virginia Cellular corrects the service area definition and accompanying analysis of MGW. This amendment does not change Virginia Cellular's proposed ETC service area as shown on the map attached to Virginia Cellular's Petition.

1. VIRGINIA CELLULAR REQUESTS REDEFINITION OF WIRE CENTERS OF MOUNTAIN GROVE-WILLIAMSVILLE TELEPHONE COMPANY

By this Amendment, Virginia Cellular requests redefinition of the wire centers within MGW's service area. In its Petition, Virginia Cellular stated that, except for a very small portion

1 See Virginia Cellular LLC Petition for Designation as an Eligible Telecommunications Carrier in the State of Virginia, CC Docket No. 96-45, April 12, 2002
of MGW’s Williamsville wire center, its proposed ETC service area covered MGW’s service area in its entirety. In responding to the FCC’s recent request for additional information, Virginia Cellular discovered that there are two additional MGW wire centers completely outside of Virginia Cellular’s proposed ETC service area. These wire centers are Mountain Grove and McClung. An updated Exhibit F, showing all five wire centers served by MGW is attached hereto.  

In its Petition, Virginia Cellular incorrectly noted that the Commission may choose not to redefine MGW’s service area because Virginia Cellular’s proposed ETC service area covered all but a small portion of MGW’s study area? Since Virginia Cellular does not propose to serve the Mountain Grove and McClung wire centers, Virginia Cellular requests that the Commission reclassify each of MGW’s five wire centers as a separate service areas.

According to FCC rules, a petition to redefine LEC service areas must contain, “an analysis that takes into account the recommendations of any Federal-State Joint Board convened to provide recommendations with respect to the definition of a service area served by a rural telephone company.” 47 C.F.R. §54.207(c)(1). Because Virginia Cellular has already provided this analysis for MGW in its original Petition, we do not repeat that analysis here. 4 For the reasons set forth in Virginia Cellular’s Petition, the service areas of the MGW should be redefined so that each wire center is a separate service area.

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2 On October 11, 2002 Virginia Cellular supplemented its Petition to provide information requested by the Commission staff. That supplement inadvertently added Central Telephone Company to Exhibit F. All references to Central Telephone Company have been removed from Exhibit F, as amended.

3 See Petition, p. 12.

4 See Petition, p. 10-17.
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III. Conclusion

Virginia Cellular hereby amends its original Petition as set forth herein and respectfully requests the Commission to designate it as an ETC on an expedited basis.

Respectfully submitted,

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