



PRIVATE LINE JURISDICTION CERTIFICATION FORM

Date: _____

Customer Name: _____

Account #: _____

Dear Customer:

The Federal Communications Commission (“FCC”) has established certain rules and requirements relating to the jurisdictional classification (interstate vs. intrastate) of telecommunication services provided by companies such as DQE Communications LLC (“Company”) for purposes of determining whether revenues for those services will be subject to Federal Universal Service Fund (“USF”) contributions.

Pursuant to those rules, the Company reports its telecommunications revenues on FCC Form 499-A and classifies its revenue as intrastate or interstate. With respect to point-to-point services, an interstate service or circuit is one that carries more than 10% interstate traffic. Interstate traffic includes using the circuit for data ultimately transported across state lines (even if on a different cross-connected circuit), voice services with interstate or international calls, or Internet service over the circuit. An intrastate services or circuit is one that carries 10% or less interstate traffic.

Federal USF fees apply to all physically interstate telecommunications lines. Federal USF fees also apply to point-to-point circuits with greater than 10% interstate traffic regardless of whether the physical circuit end points are within the same state boundaries (intrastate). If the interstate traffic is 10% or less and the end points of the circuit are within the same state boundaries then USF fees will not apply. There is no exemption based on not-for-profit or government entities.

The Company must have documentation supporting an intrastate classification and a Customer certification is the primary method of providing such documentation. Customer acknowledges that Company’s determination of jurisdiction of the Service(s) and assessment of USF fees on interstate services will be based upon the information provided by Customer in this Certification. If Company determines that the jurisdiction has been established based upon false, inaccurate or erroneous information, Company may bill Customer and Customer will pay such fees based upon the determination of jurisdiction, plus applicable late fees. Customer acknowledges and agrees that: (i) it has a duty to update this Certification within thirty (30) days to the extent its traffic changes and this Certification is no longer accurate; and (ii) Company may provide a copy of this Certification to the Universal Service Administrator, the FCC, state regulatory agencies and taxing authorities, legal counsel, or an auditor.

Customer acknowledges and certifies that it is using, and has used at all times, the circuits listed below and the certification indicates the correct jurisdictional classification as defined above. ***For Each Circuit ID# please indicate: (i) (YES) if the interstate traffic is greater than 10% and therefore subject to Federal USF fee; or (ii) (NO) if the interstate traffic is 10% or less and therefore not subject to Federal USF fee.*** In the event Customer indicates YES, to the extent permitted by your service agreement, Federal USF fee(s) can be assessable to customers. If no Certification Form is received, and DQE is not otherwise able to document the jurisdiction, Customer will be deemed to have responded YES until such time as a Certification Form to the contrary is received.

Customer certifies the foregoing and any attachment are true and correct, to the best of its knowledge.

By: _____
(Customer Name)

Authorized
Signature: _____

Print Name: _____

Title: _____

Date: _____

Email: _____

Phone: _____

