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To whom it may concern:

Pursuant to Title 47 of the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Section 64.6304 (a)(2), Cherokee Communications has fewer than 100,000 voice subscriber lines and thus meets the qualifications to be considered a small voice service provider. Since this is the case, Cherokee Communications falls under the Section 64.6304 (a)(1) exemption. This exemption allows Cherokee Communications to delay the implementation of STIR/SHAKEN until June 30, 2023.

We completed the integration of our external call Guardian host via Metaswitch in December of 2022. Call Guardian Authentication Hub combines MetaSphere QCall for STIR / SHAKEN and TNS's Call Guardian for implementing STIR/SHAKEN and performing robocall mitigation. Cherokee Communications IT has performed successful tests with the platform via a Metaswitch external host. We have installed a load balancer to help with these issues as well. Our implementation of Call Guardian is fully operational as of now is compliant will all STIR/SHAKEN protocols and procedures.

Thank you,
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