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CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORITY TO SUBMIT OR GRANT ACCESS TO DATA

INSTRUCTIONS-Submit one copy to the Rural Development Utilities Programs headquarters and one copy to the GFR. In accordance with the requirements of the Rural Utilities Service, an agency delivering the U.S. Department of Agriculture Rural Development Utilities Programs, herein after referred to as the Agency, and by resolution, attached hereto, of the board of directors or other managing body ("the Borrower") (the "Board" of _ BORROWER'S NAME BORROWER'S ADDRESS which resolution was adopted by a quorum of the Board, held on _____ the Board hereby authorizes the officer or manager whose name, title, and USDA eAuthentication ID appear below (Certifier), to certify and submit the data requested on the following Agency data collections. Furthermore, said resolution authorizes the following employee whose name, title, and eAuthentication ID appear below (Security Administrator), to give, as appropriate, other employees, officers, or contractors access to the Borrower's data on the USDA Rural Development Data Collection System, subject to the terms of the attached instructions, for the purpose of completing the required data collection indicated below: (Check All That Apply) Form No. (if applicable) TITLE Financial and Statistical Report (Electric - Distribution) Operating Report (Electric - Generation) 12 Operating Report for Broadband Borrowers Operating Report for Telecommunications Borrowers This certification of authority shall remain in force until the Agency has been notified of, and has acknowledged to the Board, its rescinding of the attached resolution. Certifier TITLE NAME (TYPE OR PRINT) eAuthentication ID **Security Administrator** TITLE eAuthentication ID NAME (TYPE OR PRINT) BORROWER'S NAME SIGNATURE OF BOARD PRESIDENT OR CHAIRMAN

DATE

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