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Polar Announces Winner in National College Scholarship Program for Rural Youth

PARK RIVER – May 2, 2014 - Polar Communications is pleased to announce Bethany Brumbaugh is the recipient of a \$2,500 college scholarship from Polar and the Foundation for Rural Service (FRS) the philanthropic arm of NTCA-The Rural Broadband Association.

The FRS scholarship program awarded over \$98,000 in scholarships to rural youth across the United States. Out of over 1,500 applications received this year, thirty-six scholarships were awarded. The goal of the scholarship program is to help further higher education opportunities among rural high school students. Polar strongly supports the youth of our community and is thrilled to sponsor this worthy program.

Scholarship recipients were selected by an independent team of reviewers from the education field. To be eligible, recipients must be sponsored by a NTCA member system, and must indicate a desire to return to their rural communities once their collegiate studies have been completed.

“We are thrilled to offer this program, with the goal of leveling the playing field for rural students who often face financial obstacles in their pursuit of higher education,” said David Dunning, Polar Communications General Manager/CEO. “The FRS scholarship program enables rural telecommunications providers to show their support of the youth living in the communities they serve.

The scholarship program is open to all graduating high school seniors that receive local telecommunications service from Polar. Applicants must be enrolled in an accredited two-year or four-year college or university, or vocational technical school, and have at least a C-grade point average.