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Via Hand-Delivery

Mr. Jeff DeRouen, Executive Director Kentucky Public Service Commission 211 Sower Boulevard Frankfort, Kentucky 40602

RE: Case No. 2009-00110

Dear Mr. DeRouen:

Please find enclosed for filing an original and ten (10) copies of Nexus Communications, Inc.'s Status Report.

Please place the documents of file. Should you have any questions regarding the enclosed, please contact me at your convenience.

Regards,

Matthew Malone

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## COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Petition of Nexus Communications, Inc. for Additional Designation as an Eligible Telecommunications Carrier in Kentucky RECEIVED

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## STATUS REPORT OF NEXUS COMMUNICATIONS, INC.

Nexus Communications, Inc. ("Nexus") respectfully submits this Status Report pursuant to the request of the Kentucky Public Service Commission ("Commission"). On September 27, 2011, the Commission granted Nexus' motion to hold the above-captioned proceeding in abeyance. In that Order, the Commission also directed Nexus to file a written status report every 60 days detailing Nexus' progress in other states.

Over the past 60 days, Nexus has received no new designations of eligible telecommunications carrier ("ETC") status in any state. Nexus has pending wireless ETC designation applications before the public utility commissions of Idaho, Indiana, Minnesota, Pennsylvania, Vermont and Washington. Nexus also has an application pending with the Federal Communications Commission ("FCC") for authority to operate as a wireless ETC in Alabama, Connecticut, the District of Columbia, Delaware, Florida, New Hampshire, New York, North Carolina, Tennessee and Virginia.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Nexus previously has been granted ETC status for wireless services, wireline services or both by the state commissions of Alabama, Arkansas, California, Florida, Georgia, Illinois, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maine, Maryland, Michigan, Mississippi, Missouri, Nevada, New Jersey, North Carolina, Ohio, Oklahoma, Rhode Island, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, West Virginia and Wisconsin.

On June 21, 2012, Nexus met with representatives of the FCC's Wireline Competition Bureau ("WCB") to discuss Nexus' FCC Compliance Plan, which is mandated by the FCC's Report and Order in its Lifeline Reform docket.<sup>3</sup> Nexus received feedback from WCB staff about its proposed Compliance Plan and now is in the process of making minor changes to the Plan. Nexus intends to file an amended Compliance Plan, which incorporates feedback from WCB staff, with the FCC during the week of July 23, 2012. It is reasonable to anticipate that this process will be complete within the next month. Under these circumstances, Nexus believes it is appropriate for the Commission to continue to hold Nexus' Petition in abeyance until the FCC has approved Nexus' Compliance Plan, at which time Nexus will work with the Commission to finalize the ETC designation process.

Pursuant to the September 27, 2011 Order, Nexus again will apprise the Commission of its progress again within 60 days.

Respectfully submitted,

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Nexus filed its Compliance Plan with the FCC on April 24, 2012 and provided the Commission with a copy of this document in its Status Report filed May 18, 2012.

Lifeline and Link Up Reform and Modernization, WC Docket Nos. 11-42, et al., Report and Order and Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, FCC 12-11 (adopted Jan. 31, 2012, released Feb. 6, 2012), available at: http://transition.fcc.gov/Daily\_Releases/Daily\_Business/2012/db0207/FCC-12-11A1.pdf.