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March 30, 2016

Jeff Derouen, Executive Director
Public Service Commission
211 Sower Blvd.
P.O. Box 615
Frankfort, KY 40602

Re: Case No. 2015-00381
East Kentucky Network, LLC d/b/a Appalachian Wireless

Dear Mr. Derouen:

As directed by the letter from the Public Service Commission dated March 29, 2016, East Kentucky Network, LLC d/b/a Appalachian Wireless has submitted a written response directly to Buelah Leitch concerning her comments dated March 23, 2016.

Please find enclosed for filing in your usual manner eleven (11) copies of said response (the original having been sent directly to Mr. and Mrs. Johnson). If you have any questions or concerns regarding the enclosed, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Cindy D. McCarty".

Cindy D. McCarty
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Enclosures

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VIA CERTIFIED MAIL – RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Buelah Leitch
5056 Nails Creek Rd.
Rockford, Tennessee 37853

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East Kentucky Network, LLC d/b/a Appalachian Wireless

Dear Ms. Leitch,

This is in response to your letter dated March 23, 2016, in which you objected to the construction of the subject cell phone tower on the basis that you believe the tower will be unsightly. The subject tower is being constructed as part of the U.S. Mobility Fund established by the Federal Communications Commission ("FCC"), which is a program designed to expand mobile broadband coverage in rural and unserved parts of the country. As part of this program, Appalachian Wireless has committed to providing coverage to a minimum of 75% of the road miles in the specified areas, including the area where the subject tower is being constructed. Construction of a tower in this area is necessary in order to satisfy our obligations to the FCC. It is our belief that providing the infrastructure necessary for broadband coverage improves the communities that we serve.

If you should need anything further, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Lynn Haney".

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cc: Public Service Commission