

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

SUPPLEMENTAL PETITION OF CINERGY)
COMMUNICATIONS COMPANY FOR)
DESIGNATION AS A COMPETITIVE)
ELIGIBLE TELECOMMUNICATIONS) CASE NO. 2006-00089
CARRIER PURSUANT TO SECTION 214(e))
OF THE TELECOMMUNICATIONS ACT OF)
1996)

O R D E R

On February 28, 2006, Cinergy Communications Company (“Cinergy”), a Competitive Local Exchange Carrier, filed with the Commission a petition under 47 U.S.C. § 214(e)(2) seeking designation as an Eligible Telecommunications Carrier (“ETC”) to receive federal universal service support for service offered throughout its service area in the state of Kentucky.¹

The petition states that: (1) Cinergy meets all the requirements for designation as an ETC to serve the designated areas in the state of Kentucky;² (2) Cinergy requests designation throughout each of the designated areas within its service coverage;³ (3) in accordance with 47 U.S.C. § 214(e)(2), Cinergy is entitled to be designated as an ETC in non-rural wirecenters;⁴ and (4) designation of Cinergy as an ETC for the designated areas served in Kentucky will serve the public interest.⁵

¹ Cinergy requests ETC designation in the incumbent service areas of Kentucky ALLTEL and South Central Rural Telephone Cooperative Corporation. See Petition at page 1.

² Id. at 2 - 3.

³ Id. at 1.

⁴ Id. at 4.

⁵ Id. at 3 - 5.

The Commission seeks comment on Cinergy's petition from affected parties and the general public. The Commission will also set a procedural schedule for this matter.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that:

1. Comments on the application shall be filed within 20 days of the date of this Order.
2. Information requests to Cinergy should be filed within 40 days of the date of this Order.
3. Responses to information requests to Cinergy should be filed within 60 days of the date of this Order.
4. Requests for a public hearing in this matter should be filed within 75 days of the date of this Order.
5. If no requests for a public hearing are made, parties may file any additional comments on the application and information requests for the Commission to consider within 90 days of the date of this Order.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 29th day of March, 2006.

By the Commission

ATTEST:



Executive Director