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PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

RE: Inquiry into the Development of Deaveraged Rates for Unbundled Network Elements; Administrative Case No. 382

Dear Ms. O'Donnell:

Enclosed for filing are an original and four unredacted copies of Kentucky ALLTEL's Responses to Nuvox's Data Requests and Petition for Confidential Treatment. As Commission Staff had requested an original and four unredacted copies of the responses, same are being provided, although each of the copies is itself considered highly proprietary and confidential in its entirety and is not to be duplicated in any way.

Given the confidential nature of this filing and considering that the Responses are redacted in their entirety, redacted copies are not being mailed to the parties on the service list. Rather, parties are being notified of this filing by copy of this letter. Unredacted copies, however, are being provided to carriers who have previously executed appropriate protective agreements with Kentucky ALLTEL.

Thank you for your cooperation in this matter. Please do not hesitate to contact me with any questions you may have.

Sincerely,

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#### COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

## **BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

In the Matter of:

# AN INQUIRY INTO THE DEVELOPMENT OF DEAVERAGED RATES FOR UNBUNDLED NETWORK ELEMENTS

ADM. CASE NO. 382

## KENTUCKY ALLTEL PETITION FOR CONFIDENTIAL TREATMENT

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Kentucky ALLTEL, Inc. ("Kentucky ALLTEL") files this Petition for Confidential Treatment of responses to the data requests issued May 21, 2004 by Nuvox:

1. Pursuant to K.R.S. §61.878(1)(c)(1) and 807 KAR 5:001, Section 7, Kentucky ALLTEL requests that the attached responses to Nuvox's Data Requests regarding Kentucky ALLTEL's UNE Cost Study ("Responses to Nuvox Data Requests") be accorded confidential treatment.

2. The Responses to Nuvox Data Requests were developed internally by ALLTEL Communications, Inc. ("ALLTEL") at its own expense. ALLTEL's Cost Department devoted substantial resources to developing and compiling the Responses to Nuvox Data Requests, which are treated as highly confidential by ALLTEL and its affiliates. The Responses to Nuvox Data Requests have not been released publicly and are disclosed internally within ALLTEL on a need-to-know basis only and only to outside parties who have entered into an appropriate nondisclosure agreement with ALLTEL.

3. The Responses to Nuvox Data Requests include specific data which Kentucky ALLTEL is providing only to Nuvox pursuant to this confidentiality agreement or

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enforceable order according the documentation confidential treatment and only to authorized outside parties pursuant to their execution of an appropriate protective agreement.

4. ALLTEL and its affiliates employ all reasonable measures to protect the confidentiality of the Responses to Nuvox Data Requests and to guard against inadvertent, unauthorized disclosure.

5. K.R.S. §61.878(1)(c)(1) provides in pertinent part:

The following public records are excluded from the application of ... [the Open Records Act] and shall be subject to inspection only upon order of a court of competent jurisdiction ...

(c)1. ...records confidentially disclosed to an agency or required by an agency to disclosed to it, generally recognized as confidential or proprietary, which if openly disclosed would permit an unfair commercial advantage to competitors of the entity that disclosed the records.

6. Public disclosure of the Responses to Nuvox Data Requests would provide entities offering local exchange or other telecommunications services an unfair competitive advantage by affording them access to Kentucky ALLTEL's valuable costing information which they could then use to plan unwarranted market entry or competitive strategies to the detriment of Kentucky ALLTEL. Outside entities gaining access to the information pursuant to a protective agreement have agreed not to use the information for any such marketing or competitive purposes. Public disclosure of the information also would allow all entities to infringe upon ALLTEL's rights with respect to its intangible personal property in the form of the UNE model which was developed at ALLTEL's sole expense. Information included in the Responses to Nuvox Data Requests is generally considered confidential and proprietary in the telecommunications industry.

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7. The Responses to Nuvox Data Requests are also protected from disclosure pursuant to K.R.S. 61.878(1)(c)(2)(c) as a confidential and proprietary record disclosed to the Commission in conjunction with the regulation of a commercial enterprise.

8. Kentucky ALLTEL and its affiliates have taken all reasonable steps to prevent the dissemination of the confidential information in the Responses to Nuvox Data Requests outside of Kentucky ALLTEL, its parent corporation and affiliates, and any outside parties authorized under an appropriate protective agreement.

9. Nondisclosure of the Responses to Nuvox Data Requests would not be detrimental to the policy objectives of the Kentucky Open Records Act and instead would actually serve the public interest by promoting fair competition.

10. An original and four unredacted copies of the Responses to Nuvox Data Requests are being filed herewith, and unredacted copies are being provided to AT&T Communications, Inc. and NuVox Communications, Inc., each of which has executed a protective agreement with Kentucky ALLTEL. Due to the highly confidential nature of the documentation, Kentucky ALLTEL requests that the documentation be considered proprietary and confidential and not be duplicated.

WHEREFORE, Kentucky ALLTEL respectfully requests that the Commission grant this Response and Petition for Confidential Treatment; afford the Responses to Nuvox Data Requests confidential treatment and place same in the confidential files of the Commission; prohibit any party including Nuvox from duplicating the documentation; and grant Kentucky ALLTEL all other relief to which it may be entitled including the right to withdraw its filing or cure any deficiencies in this Petition prior to any disclosure of the Responses to Nuvox Data Requests.

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Dated: June 11, 2004.

Respectfully submitted,

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#### CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a notice with respect to the foregoing has been sent this 11th day of June, 2004 by first class mail, postage prepaid to the following parties of record in this matter. In addition, I certify that unredacted copies of same were served on Commission Staff and on Mr. Douglas F. Brent, AT&T and NuVox.

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