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# **EAST KENTUCKY NETWORK**

d/b/a APPALACHIAN WIRELESSS

# THOUSANDSTICKS CELLULAR TOWER APPLICATION

**Leslie County** P.S.C. CASE # 2008-00004

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#### COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the matter of:

THE APPLICATION OF EAST KENTUCKY NETWORK ) LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY FOR THE ISSUANCE ) OF A CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND ) C NECESSITY TO CONSTRUCT A TOWER IN LESLIE ) COUNTY, KENTUCKY).

CASE No 2008-00004

In case number 91-002 East Kentucky Network, LLC, formerly Mountaineer Cellular Limited Liability Company was granted a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity by the Kentucky Public Service Commission to construct and operate a cellular radio telecommunications system for KY RSA 10.

In an effort to improve service in **Leslie County**, East Kentucky Network, LLC pursuant to KRS 278.020 Subsection 1 and 807 KAR 5:001 Section 9 is seeking the Commission's approval to construct a tower at Thounsandsticks in Leslie County, Kentucky. The facility will include a 300 foot self supported tower, with attached antennas extending upwards, and an equipment shelter to be located near Thousandsticks on a ridge approximately 3 miles west of Hyden in Leslie County (37° 10' 23.7"N 83° 25' 59.7"W). A map and detailed directions to the site can be found in Exhibit 8.

East Kentucky Network LLC merger documents were filed with the Commission on February 2, 2001 in Case # 2001-022.

FAA and Kentucky Airport Zoning Commission approvals have been applied for and a copy of the application is included as Exhibit 4 and 6.

No Federal Communications Commission approval is required prior to construction of this facility. Once service is established from this tower we must immediately notify the Federal Communications Commission of its operation. Prior approval is needed only if the proposed

facility increases the size of the cellular geographic service area. This cell site will not expand the cellular geographic service area.

A geologist was employed to determine soil and rock types and to ascertain the distance to solid bedrock. The geotechnical report is enclosed as Exhibit 3

A copy of the tower design information is enclosed as Exhibit 5. The proposed tower has been designed by engineers at Allstate Tower, Inc and will be constructed under their supervision. Their qualifications are evidenced in Exhibit 5 by the seal and signature of the registered professional engineer responsible for this project.

The tower will be erected by A & D Communication of Cattlesburg, Kentucky. A & D has vast experience in the erection of communications towers.

Enclosed, and should be filed with Exhibit 10 is a survey of the proposed tower site signed by a Kentucky registered professional engineer. There is no structure within 500 feet of the proposed tower as indicated in this enclosure. Exhibit 2 is a list of all Property owners or residents according to the property valuation administrator's record who reside or own property within 500 feet of the proposed tower in accordance with the Public Valuation Administrator'. No other properties are contiguous with East Kentucky's property.

Exhibit 12, back of folder, contains a vertical sketch of the tower supplied by Coleman Engineering.

Pursuant to 807 KAR5:063 Sections1 (1)(L) and Section 1(1)(n)(1) all affected property owners <u>according to the property valuation administrator's</u> record who reside or own property within 500 feet of the proposed Tower were notified by certified mail return receipt requested of East Kentucky Network, LLC's proposed construction and informed of their right to intervene. They were given the docket number under which this application is filed. Enclosed in Exhibit 2 is a copy of that notification. Leslie County has no formal local planning unit. In absence of this unit the Leslie County Judge Executive's office was notified by certified mail, return receipt requested of East Kentucky Network Limited Liability Company's proposal and informed of their right to intervene. They were given the docket number under which this application is filed. Enclosed in Exhibit 1 is a copy of that notification.

East Kentucky Network, LLC will finance the subject Construction with earned surplus in its General Fund.

Estimated Cost of Construction	140, 000.00
Annual Operation Expense of Tower	12,500.00

Two notice signs meeting the requirements prescribed by 807 KAR 5:063, Section 1(2), measuring at least two (2) feet in height and four (4) feet in width and containing all required language in letters of required height, have been posted, one at a visible location on the proposed site and one on the nearest public road. The two signs were posted on February 22, 2008 and will remain posted for at least two weeks after filing of this application as specified.

Enclosed in Exhibit 9 is a copy of East Kentucky Network LLC's deeds to the site.

Notice of the location of the proposed construction was published on the last week of February and the first week of March, in the Leslie County News. Enclosed is a copy of that notice in Exhibit 1. The Leslie County News is the newspaper with the largest circulation in Leslie County.

The proposed construction site is on a very rugged mountaintop some feet from the nearest structure. Prior to construction the site was wooded.

Due to the steep hillside surrounding the proposed site, the property in close proximity is unsuitable for any type of development. East Kentucky Network LLC's operation will not affect the use of nearby land nor its value. No more suitable site exists in the area. A copy of the search area map is enclosed in Exhibit 8. No other tower capable of supporting East Kentucky Network LLC's load exists in the general area; therefore, there is no opportunity for co-location of our facilities with anyone else. WHEREFORE, Applicant respectfully requests that the PSC accept the foregoing Application for filing, and having met the requirements of KRS [278.020(1), 278.650, and 278.665] and all applicable rules and regulations of the PSC, grant a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to construct and operate the proposed tower.

The foregoing document was prepared by Janice Robinson, Technical Site Coordinator for East Kentucky Network d/b/a Appalachian Wireless. All related questions or correspondence concerning this filing should be mailed to East Kentucky Network, LLC d/b/a Appalachian Wireless, 101 Technology Trail, Ivel, KY 41642.

anice Tolinson DATE: 02-25-08 SUBMITTED BY: Janice Robinson, Cell Site Coordinator

APPROVED BY:

DATE:

Gerald Robinette, General Manager

**Contacts:** 

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<u>Phone: (606) 791-2375, Ext. 111</u> <u>Email: grobinette110@ekn.com</u>

<u>Janice Robinson, Technical Site Coordinator</u> <u>Phone: (606) 791-2375, Ext. 166</u> Email: <u>jrobinson166a@ekn.com</u>

#### **Mailing Address:**

East Kentucky Network, LLC. d/b/a Appalachian Wireless 101 Technology Trail Ivel, KY 41642

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#### VIA: U.S. CERTIFIED MAIL

February 22, 2008

Jimmy Sizemore, Judge Executive P. O. Box 619 Hyden, KY 41749

RE: Public Notice-Public Service Commission of Kentucky (Case No. 2008-00004)

East Kentucky Network, LLC d/b/a Appalachian Wireless has applied to the Public Service Commission of Kentucky for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to construct and operate a new facility to provide cellular telecommunications service in Leslie County, Kentucky. The facility will include a 300 foot self supported tower, with attached antennas extending upwards, and an equipment shelter to be located at Thousandsticks on a ridge approximately 3 miles west of Hyden in Leslie County (37° 10' 23.7"N 83° 25' 59.7"W). A map showing the location of the proposed new facility is enclosed. This notice is being sent to you because you are the County Judge Executive of Leslie County.

The Commission invites your comments regarding the proposed construction. You also have the right to intervene in this matter. The Commission must receive your initial communication within 20 days of the date of this letter as shown above.

Your comments and request for intervention should be addressed to: Executive Director's Office, Public Service Commission of Kentucky, P.O. Box 615, Frankfort, KY 40602. Please refer to Case No. 2008-00004 in your correspondence.

Sincerely, anice lind anice Robinson

Janice Robinson Technical Site Coordinator Enclosure 1 d/b/a Appalachian Wireless 101 TECHNOLOGY TRAIL IVEL, KY 41642 Phone: 606/874-7550 Fax: 606/791-2225



## Fax

To:	Leslie County News	From:	JANICE ROBINSON, Accounting		
	P. O. Box 967		East Kentucky Network,		
	Hyden, KY 41749		d/b/a Appalachian Wireless		
Fax:	606-672-7409	Phone:	606-874-7550, Ext. 166		
Phone:	606-672-2841	Pages:	1 Page (INCLUDING COVER		
Po		Date	February 22, 2008		

#### Nancy,

We would like to have the following public notice printed in Leslie County News for the next two weeks. The notice should state the following:

#### **PUBLIC NOTICE:**

RE: Public Service Commission of Kentucky (CASE NO. 2008-00004)

Notice is hereby given that East Kentucky Network, LLC, dba Appalachian Wireless has applied to the Kentucky Public Service Commission to construct a tower located at <u>Thousandsticks</u> on a ridge approximately 3 miles west of Hyden in Leslie County (37° 10<sup>°</sup> 23.7"N 83° 25' 59.7"W). The proposed tower will be a 300-foot self-supporting tower. If you would like to respond to this notice, please contact the Executive Director, Public Service Commission, 211 Sower Boulevard, PO Box 615, Frankfort, Kentucky 40602. Please refer to Case No. 2008-00004.

If you have questions about the placement of the above mentioned notice, please call me at 606-874-7550, ext. 166.

#### Thank you, Janice Robinson, Technical Site Coordinator

Accounting Department If you have any problems with this fax, please call 606/886-6007. The message above and the information contained in the documents transmitted are confidential and intended only for the person(s) named above. Dissemination, distribution or copying of this communication by anyone other than the person(s) named above is prohibited. If you have received this communication in error, please notify us immediately by telephone and return the original message to us at the address listed above via regular mail. Thank you.

#### Next Generation Communications

Subject: Public Notice Ads for 2 proposed towers (Thousandsticks Tower and Little Asher Tower) From: Janice Robinson <jrobinson166a@ekn.com> Date: Fri, 22 Feb 2008 12:27:43 -0500 To: rebab@tds.net

Advertising Department, Please find attached the public notices we wish printed in Leslie County News for the next two weeks.

Thank you, --Janice Robinson Accounting Coordinator Email: jrobinson166a@ekn.com Phone: 606-874-7550,ext/166 Fax: 606-791-2225

East Kentucky Network d/b/a Appalachian Wireless 101 Technology Trail Ivel, KY 41642

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#### **EXHIBIT II : LIST OF PROPERTY OWNERS:**

#### THOUSANDSTICKS, LESLIE COUNTY, KENTUCKY

#### Statement Pursuant to Section 1 (1) (I) 807 KAR 5:063

<u>Section 1 (1)(1) 1</u>. The following is a list of every property owner who according to property valuation administrator's records, owns property within 500 feet of the proposed tower and each have been: notified by certified mail, return receipt requested, of the proposed construction.,

<u>Section 1 (1) I 2.</u>: Every person listed below who, according to the property valuation administrator's records, owns property within 500 feet of the proposed tower has been: Given the Commission docket number under which the application will be processed: and

<u>Section 1 (1) I 3</u>. Every person listed below who, according to property valuation administrator's records, owns property within 500 feet of the proposed tower has been: Informed of his right to request intervention.

#### LIST OF PROPERTY OWNERS

Wayne & Shirley Ramey 1014 Davidson Fork Road Hyden, KY 41749

Karen Couch 170 Back Valley Drive Thousandsticks, KY 41766

Ruben W. Estep P. O. Box 93 Bearbranch, KY 41714

Carlo & Bonnie Wilder P. O. Box 265 Hyden, KY 41749

Larry Muncy 861 Davidson Fork Road Hyden, KY 41749

Vernon & Charlyn Muncy Box 1484 Hyden, KY 41749

Johnny & Sallie Sizemore 256 Thousandsticks Br Rd Hyden, KY 41749 Cecil & Aileen Osborne 410 Thousandsticks Br Rd Hyden, KY 41749

Nancy Howard Est. C/O Darrell Howard 337 Bell Branch Rd Hyden, KY 41749

Clyde Hill 1299 Davidson Fork Rd Hyden, KY 41749

Bert & Ethel Howard 76 Back Valley Drive Hyden, KY 41749

Jeffrey & Sharon Mosley 67 Driftwood Lane Hyden, KY 41749

James T. May Jr. 1244 Davidson Fork Rd Hyden, KY 41749

Therman & Connie Davidson 1348 Davidson Fork Rd Hyden, KY 41749



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Karen Couch 170 Back Valley Drive Thousandsticks, KY 41766 Hyden, KY 41749

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Your comments and request for intervention should be addressed to: Executive Director's Office, Public Service Commission of Kentucky, P.O. Box 615, Frankfort, KY 40602. Please refer to Case No. 2008-00004 in your correspondence.

Sincerely,

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Janice Robinson Technical Site Coordinator Enclosure 1

EAST KENTUCKY NETWORK 101 TECHNOLOGY TRAIL IVEL, KY 41642 PHONE: (606) 874-7550 FA ' '06) 874-7551 E '4F0@EKN.COM V .E: WWW.EKN.COM



#### PUBLIC NOTICE

February 25, 2008

Wayne & Shirley Ramey 1014 Davidson Fork Road Hyden, KY 41749

RE: Public Notice-Public Service Commission of Kentucky (Case No. 2008-00004)

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#### VIA: U.S. CERTIFIED MAIL

February 22, 2008

Jimmy Sizemore, Judge Executive P. O. Box 619 Hyden, KY 41749

RE: Public Notice-Public Service Commission of Kentucky (Case No. 2008-00004)

East Kentucky Network, LLC d/b/a Appalachian Wireless has applied to the Public Service Commission of Kentucky for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to construct and operate a new facility to provide cellular telecommunications service in Leslie County, Kentucky. The facility will include a 300 foot self supported tower, with attached antennas extending upwards, and an equipment shelter to be located at Thousandsticks on a ridge approximately 3 miles west of Hyden in Leslie County (37° 10' 23.7"N 83° 25' 59.7"W). A map showing the location of the proposed new facility is enclosed. This notice is being sent to you because you are the County Judge Executive of Leslie County.

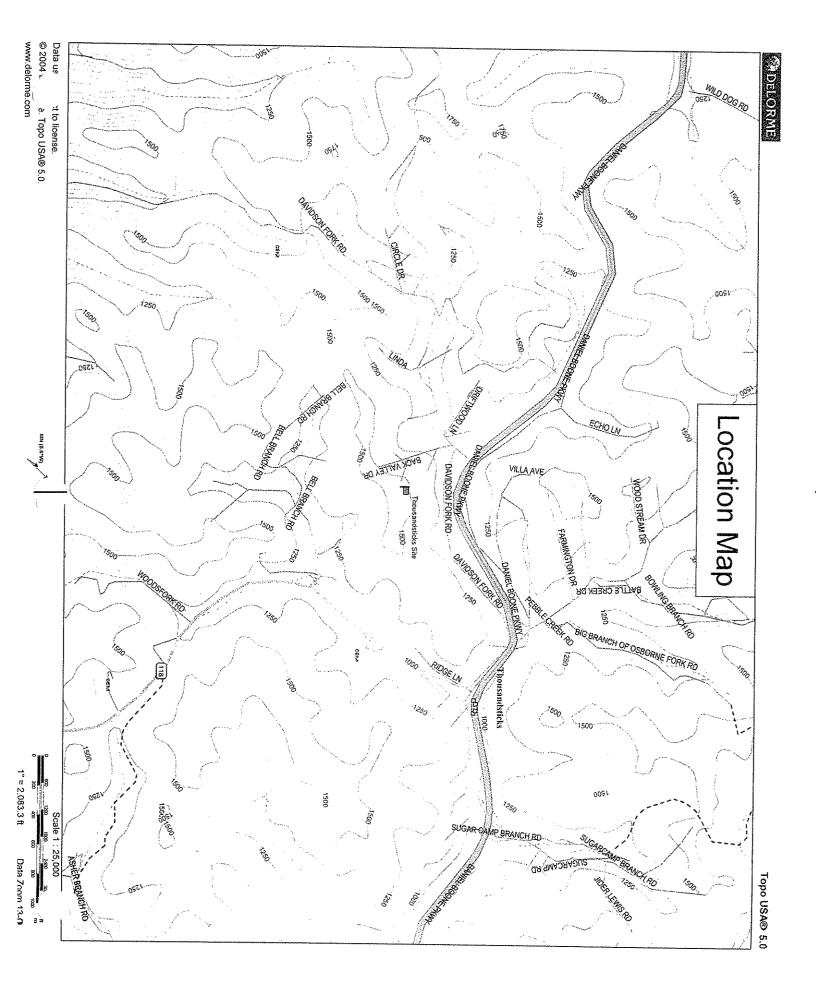
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#### WENDELL R. HOLMES, P.G. 120 Church Street Whitesburg, KY 41858 (606) 438-7250

#### December 28, 2007

#### **Thousandsticks Tower Site**

#### Purpose:

A site assessment was conducted for Appalachian Wireless on a tract of land located in Leslie County near Thousandsticks, Kentucky. The site of the proposed tower is now forestland. The purpose of this investigation was to determine the depth to bedrock and of what type of rock the bedrock consists.

#### Site Investigation:

The trenching method was used to determine the type of bedrock material at the proposed tower site. A Caterpillar dozer was used to expose the bedrock material. It is approximately 2.00 feet to the sandstone bedrock. (See attached page for descriptions of materials encountered.) The terrain in Leslie County is moderately to very steep. The tower site is located on a ridge between Davidson Fork of Bull Creek and Thousandsticks Branch, both being tributaries of the Middle Fork of the Kentucky River, approximately three miles west of Hyden in Leslie County. The sandstone formation below the tower site is approximately 20.00 feet thick, based on the information obtained from the site investigation and geological maps of the area.

#### Conclusions:

The proposed tower site is located on a ridge in the area. The sandstone bedrock on the proposed tower site is part of the Breathitt Formation, and is middle to lower Pennsylvanian in age. Tests were not conducted to determine the load-bearing strength of the bedrock. However, it is apparent that the tower will be constructed on the sandstone bedrock formation.

The field work for this site was performed by Wendell R. Holmes, using generally accepted methods in the practice of geological science.

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### WENDELL R. HOLMES, P.G.

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### 120 Church Street Apartment 3 Whitesburg, Ky. 41858 (606)438-7250

## Geologist Log

### Location: Thousandsticks Tower Site

Unit Thickness	Total depth	Strata	Description
1.50′	0.50′	Soil	Brown, with shale and plant fragments
1.00′	2.00′	Shale	Gray, Soft and Weathered
25.00'	27.00′	Sandstone	Gray and Brown

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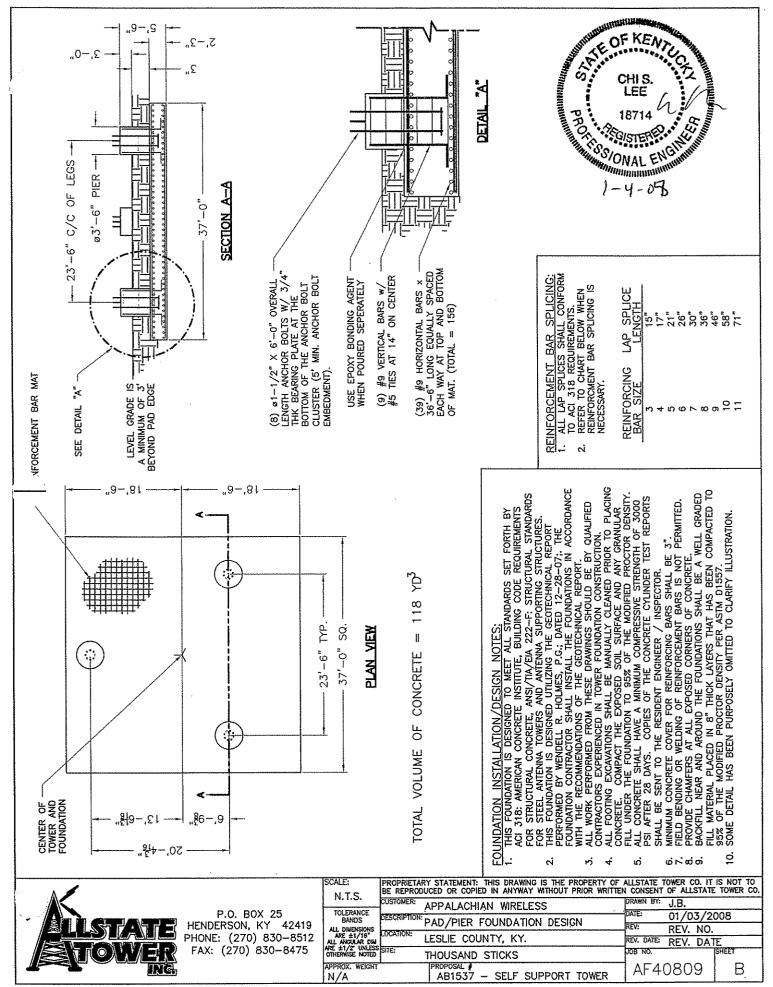
Kentucky Transportation Cabinet, Kentucky Airport Zoning Commission, 200 Merce APPLICATION FOR PERMIT TO CONSTRUCT OR ALTER INSTRUCTIONS INCLUDED	
<ol> <li>LICANT Name, Address, Telephone, Fax, etc st Kentucky Network, LLC c/o Lukas, Nace, Gutierrez &amp; Sachs, Chtd 1650 Tysons Blvd, Suite 1500 McLean, VA 22102 T: 703-584-8667 F: 703-584-8692</li> <li>Representative of Applicant Name, Address, Telephone, Fex</li> </ol>	9. Latilude:       37       0       10       23       7       "         10. Longitude:       83       25       59       7       "         11. Datum:       XAD83       NAD27       Other
Ali Kuzehkanani Lukas, Nace, Gutierrez & Sachs, Chtd 1650 Tysons Blvd, Suite 1500 McLean, VA 22102 T: 703-584-8667 F: 703-584-8692	14       Distance from #13 to Structure: 17.5 mi         15.       Direction from #13 to Structure: SSW         16       Site Elevation (AMSL): 1,600.00
3. Application for: X New Construction Alteration Existing	17. Total Structure Height (AGL): 320.00 Feet
4 Duration; ⊠ Permanent □ Temporary (MonthsDays) 5. Work Schedule: Start 2/1/2008 End 2/15/2008	18. Overall Height (#16 + #17) (AMSL):       1,920.00       Feet         19. Previous FAA and/or Kentucky Aeronautical Study Number(s):
<ol> <li>Type: Antenna Tower Crane Building Power Line</li> <li>Landfill Water Tank Other</li> <li>King/Painting and/or Lighting Preferred:</li> <li>ed Lights and Paint Dual - Red &amp; Medlum Intensity White</li> <li>White - Medlum Intensity Dual - Red &amp; High Intensity White</li> <li>White - High Intensity Other</li> <li>8. FAA Aeronautical Study Number</li> </ol>	<ul> <li>20. Description of Location: (Attach USGS 7 5 minute Quadrangle Map or an Airport layout Drawing with the precise site marked and any certified survey)</li> <li>Site is located approx. 0.9 mi (1.4 km) south of Thousandsticks (Leslie), KY</li> </ul>
21. Description of Proposal: The structure will include a 300' tower with top-mounted cellular antenn	as (overall height of 320' AGL). The ERP will be 500 watts
22. Has a "NOTICE OF CONSTRUCTION OR ALTERATION" (FAA Form 7460- X No Yes, When January 20, 2008	
CERTIFICATION: I hereby certify that all the above statements made by me/are	
Ali Kuzehkanani/Dir of Engineering	Ze/ACUMUM 1/20/2008 Date
PENALTIES: Persons failing to comply with Kentucky Revised Statutes (KRS 1 050:Series) are liable for fines and/or imprisonment as set forth in KRS 183 990(3 in further penalties.	83.861 through 183.990) and Kentucky Administrative Regulations (602 KAR
mission Action:	airman, KAZC
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January 20, 2008

#### Via U.S. Mail

EXPRESS PROCESSING CENTER Federal Aviation Administration Southwest Regional Office Air Traffic Airspace Branch, ASW-520 2601 Meacham Blvd. Fort Worth, TX 76137-4298

Dear FAA Evaluator:

Enclosed is an FAA Form 7460-1 (Notice of Proposed Construction or Alteration) for a new 320' communications tower structure (300' tower plus 20' antenna/lightning rod) in Thousandsticks (Leslie), Kentucky. The site ("Thousandsticks") is located 0.9 mi (1.4 km) south of the town of Thousandsticks.

The proponent, East Kentucky Network, LLC, is the licensee for PCS Block A service in a portion of the Knoxville, TN Metropolitan Statistical Area ("Knoxville MTA"), Market No. 44A12 Transmit technology to be employed at this station is CDMA in the PCS Band B frequency band (1850 - 1865 MHz and 1930 - 1945 MHz); the maximum ERP is 500 Watts.

The transmitting systems at this site will be installed and maintained such that transmitter spurious radiation in the frequency range of 118 MHz to 137 MHz is attenuated at least 71 dB below the unmodulated carrier level.

Should you have any questions or require additional information, please do not hesitate to call the undersigned at the above identified telephone number.

Sincerely,

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Ali Kuzéhkanani Director of Engineering

Enclosure

cc:

East Kentucky Network, LLC Attention: Marty Thacker and Gerald Robinett Project Name: EAST -000086335-08

Sponsor: East Kentucky Network, LLC

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#### **Details for Case : Thousandsticks**

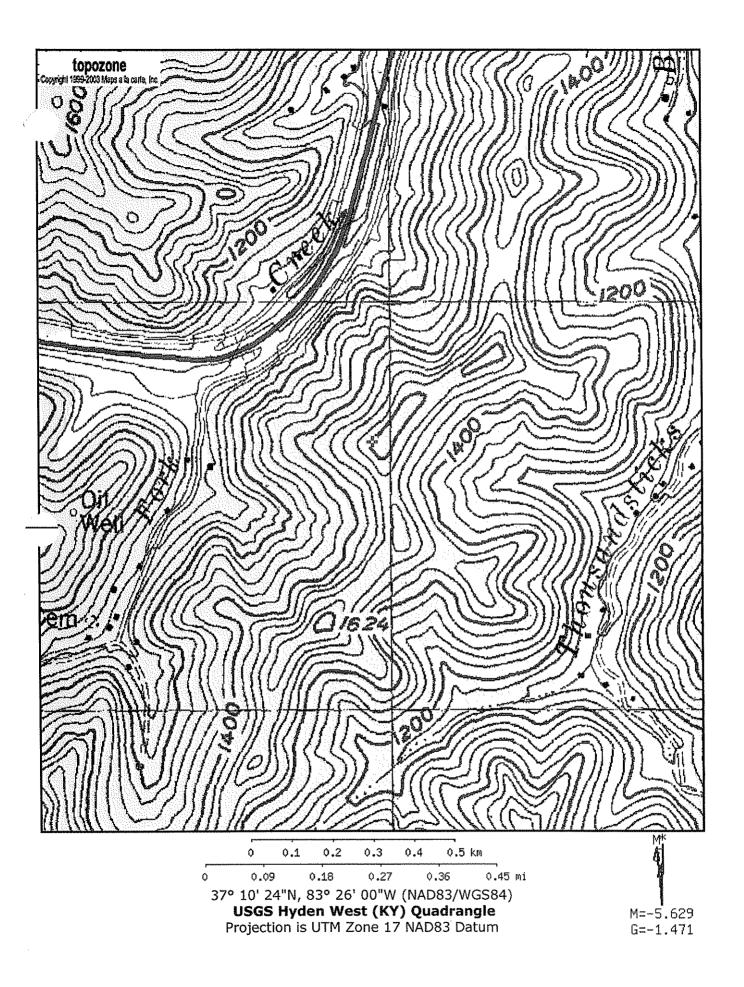
#### Show Project Summary

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ASN:	2008-ASO-378-OE	Date Accepted: 01/20/2008
Status:	Accepted	Date Determined:
		Letters: None

<b>Construction / Alterat</b>	ion Information	Structure Summa	ry			
Notice Of:	Construction	Structure Type:	Tower			
Duration:	Permanent	Structure Name:	Thousandsti	cks		
if Temporar	<b>y :</b> Months: Days:	FCC Number:				
Work Schedule - Start:	02/01/2008	Prior ASN:				
Work Schedule - End:	02/15/2008					
State Filing:	Filed with State					
Structure Details		Common Frequen	cy Bands			
Latitude:	37° 10' 23.7" N	Low Freq	High Freq	Freq Unit	ERP	ERP Unit
Longitude:	83° 25' 59.7" W	806 824	824 849	MHz MHz	500 500	W W
Horizontal Datum:	NAD83	851 869	866 894	MHz MHz	500 500	W W
Site Elevation (SE):	1600 (nearest foot)	896 901	901 902	MHz MHz	500 7	W W
Structure Height (AGL):	320 (nearest foot)	930 931	931 932	MHz MHz	3500 3500	W W
Marking/Lighting:	Dual-red and medium intensity	932	932.5	MHz	17	dBW
Other :		935 940	940 941	MHz MHz	1000 3500	W W
- Nearest City:	Thousandsticks	1850 1930	1910 1990	MHz MHz	1640 1640	W W
Nearest State:	Kentucky	2305 2345	2310 2360	MHz MHz	2000	w w
Description of Location:	Site is located approx. 1.4 km south of Thousandsticks (Leslie), KY	Specific Frequenc	·	Pinz	2000	85
Description of Proposal:	The structure will include a new 300' tower with top-mounted antennas (overall height of 320')	- <b>F</b> - 2000 - 200				



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FINANCIAL REPORT

December 31, 2006

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#### INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Members East Kentucky Network, LLC dba Appalachian Wireless Ivel, Kentucky 41642

We have audited the accompanying balance sheets of East Kentucky Network, LLC, dba Appalachian Wireless as of December 31, 2006 and 2005 and the related statements of income, members' equity and cash flows for the years then ended. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audits.

We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of East Kentucky Network, LLC, dba Appalachian Wireless as of December 31, 2006 and 2005 and the results of its operations and its cash flows for the years then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Jones. Male & Mattingly Pic

Louisville, Kentucky March 15, 2007

South Fourth Avenue, Suite 300 Louisville, Kentucky 40202-9975 (502) 583-0248 • FAX (502) 589-1680



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## BALANCE SHEETS December 31, 2006 and 2005

ASSETS	2006	2005
CURRENT ASSETS		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 2,818,346	\$ 1,046,669
Short-term investments	46,271	43,803
Accounts receivable, less allowance for doubtful	.0,227.2	10,000
accounts of \$567,790 in 2006 and \$375,856 in 2005	2,802,673	1,560,267
Accounts receivable, members (Notes 5 and 6)	37,612	3,149
USF receivable (Note 7)		589,913
Inventory	1,584,039	1,056,766
Prepaid expenses	173,657	143,547
Total current assets	\$ 7,462,598	\$ 4,444,114.
PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT (Note 3) Plant in service: General support MTSO equipment Cell equipment Paging equipment Fiber ring Unfinished plant Less accumulated depreciation		<pre>\$ 10,633,736 11,934,434 34,785,982 3,320,416 6,245,412 <u>3,992,696</u> \$ 70,912,676 <u>27,810,940</u> \$ 43,101,736</pre>
OTHER ASSETS	<b>•</b> • • • • • • •	* *****
Investment in affiliated company, RTFC (Note 3)	\$ 862,394	\$ 875,133
Intangible assets, net of accumulated amortization	4 400 000	1 (00.077
of \$2,646,913 in 2006 and \$2,179,654 in 2005 (Note 2) Other	4,497,032	4,623,855
Otter	27,550	28,669
	\$ 5,386,976	\$ 5,527,657
1	<u>\$ 61.550,827</u>	\$ 53.073.507

LIABILITIES AND MEMBERS' EQUITY	2006	2005
CURRENT LIABILITIES Current maturities of long-term debt (Note 3) Accounts payable Accounts payable, member (Notes 5 and 6) Accrued expenses Accrued state corporation taxes Customer deposits Total current liabilities	<pre>\$ 1,200,000 1,166,909 2,899 2,113,530 232,157 317,603 \$ 5,033,098</pre>	\$ 48,033 851,643 2,936 1,457,463 85,989 291,380 \$ 2,737,444
LONG-TERM DEBT, less current maturities (Note 3) MEMBERS' EQUITY	13,000,000 43,517,729	13,297,220 37,038,843

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## STATEMENTS OF INCOME Years Ended December 31, 2006 and 2005

17 17 1 7 T T T T T T T T	2006	2005
REVENUE	A 04 166 000	\$ 00.000 C70
Retail Roamer	\$ 24,156,320	\$ 20,908,570
	6,964,309	6,868,904
Long distance	155,046	177,350
Paging Reminment color, collular	852,011	1,039,429
Equipment sales, cellular	2,922,817	2,152,962
Equipment sales, paging Other	27,894	57,632
Total revenue	3,065,078	2,359,809
Total revenue	\$ 38,143,475	\$ 33,564,656
EXPENSES		
Cost of cellular service	\$ 7,888,446	\$ 7,924,553
Cost of paging service	411,177	510,665
Cost of equipment sales, cellular	6,813,457	4,912,998
Cost of equipment sales, paging	58,755	78,428
Customer service	1,330,573	1,208,726
Billing	1,097,834	1,200,135
Selling	2,703,570	2,131,009
Maintenance	1,267,034	1,042,844
Utilities	454,008	354,870
Bad debts	800,268	672,263
Recovery of bad debts	(90,925)	(120,673)
Cell site rental	158,500	135,012
Taxes	565,271	257,247
Advertising	1,574,298	1,139,697
General and administrative	2,238,348	2,249,226
Occupancy	334,981	359,928
Depreciation	5,541,628	4,635,200
Amortization	508,526	495,241
Total expenses	\$ 33,655,749	\$ 29,187,369
Income from operations	<u>\$ 4,487,726</u>	\$ 4,377,287
OTHER INCOME (EXPENSE)		
Interest income	\$ 49,052	\$ 23,915
Interest expense	(821,277)	(795,898)
Universal Service Fund income (Note 7)	3,716,602	589,913
Impairment of goodwill (Note 8)	5,710,000	(331,286)
mpannon of Boodwin (1000 o)	\$ 2,944,377	\$ (513,356)
Income before taxes	\$ 7,432,103	\$ 3,863,931
Kentucky corporation tax expense	399,157	170,197
Net income	<u>\$ 7.032.946</u>	<u>\$ 3.693.734</u>

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## STATEMENTS OF MEMBERS' EQUITY Years Ended December 31, 2006 and 2005

	Cellular Services, Inc.	Gearhart Communi- cations Company, Inc.	Mountain Tele- communi- cations, Inc.	Thacker- Grigsby Telephone Co., Inc.	Peoples Rural Telephone Coop- erative Corp- oration, Inc.	Total
Balance, January 1, 2005	\$ 6,781,309	\$ 6,781,309	\$ 6,781,309	\$ 6,781,309	\$ 6,781,308	\$33,906,544
Net income	738,747	738,747	738,747	738,746	738,747	3,693,734
Capital distributions	(112,287)	(112,287)	(112,287)	(112,287)	(112,287)	(561,435)
Balance, December 31, 2005	\$ 7,407,769	\$ 7,407,769	\$ 7,407,769	\$ 7,407,768	\$ 7,407,768	\$37,038,843
Net income	1,406,589	1,406,589	1,406,589	1,406,590	1,406,589	7,032,946
Capital distributions	(110,812)	(110,812)	(110,812)	(110,812)	(110,812)	(554,060)
Balance, December 31, 2006	\$ 8,703,546	\$ 8,703,546	\$ 8,703,546	\$ 8,703,546	\$ 8,703,545	\$43,517,729

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## STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS Years Ended December 31, 2006 and 2005

	2006	2005
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES		* • • • • • • • • •
Net income	\$ 7,032,946	\$ 3,693,734
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities:		
Depreciation	5,541,628	4,635,200
Amortization	508,526	495,241
Impairment of goodwill	500,520	331,286
Changes in assets and liabilities, net of the effects		551,200
of investing and financing activities:		
(Increase) in accounts receivable	(1,242,406)	(78,367)
Decrease in accounts receivable, members	(34,463)	51,248
(Increase) decrease in USF receivable	589,913	(589,913)
(Increase) in inventory	(527,273)	(230,130)
(Increase) decrease in prepaid expenses	(30,110)	5,012
(Increase) decrease in other assets	13,858	(646)
Increase (decrease) in accounts payable	315,266	(291,123)
Increase (decrease) in accounts payable, member	(37)	2,332
. Increase in accrued expenses	656,067	339,038
Increase in accrued state corporation taxes	146,168	85,989
Increase in customer deposits	26,223	139,030
Net cash provided by operating activities	\$ 12,996,306	\$ 8,587,931
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES		
Purchase of property, plant and equipment	\$ (11,182,411)	\$ (11,469,668)
Purchase of intangible assets	(340,437)	(299,159)
Proceeds from sale of short-term investments	(2,468)	56,197
Net cash (used in) investing activities	\$ (11,525,316)	\$(11,712,630)
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES		
Capital distributions	\$ (554,060)	\$ (561,435)
Proceeds from long-term borrowings	14,200,000	3,450,000
Payments on long-term borrowings	(13,345,253)	(832,731)
Net cash provided by financing activities	\$ 300,687	\$ 2,055,834
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	\$ 1,771,677	\$ (1,068,865)
Cash and cash equivalents:		
Beginning	1,046,669	2,115,534
Ending	<u>\$ 2.818.346</u>	<u>\$ 1.046.669</u>

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## STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS (Continued) Years Ended December 31, 2006 and 2005

	2006	2005	
SUPPLEMENTAL DISCLOSURE OF CASH FLOW INFORMATION Cash payments for interest	<u>\$ 866.941</u>	<u>\$ 788.610</u>	
Cash payments for state corporation taxes	<u>\$ 167.000</u>	\$ 84.207	
SUPPLEMENTAL SCHEDULE OF NONCASH INVESTING AND FINANCING ACTIVITIES			
Settlement of note payable from impairment of goodwill	\$	<u>\$ 400.000</u>	
Settlement of accrued interest from impairment of goodwill	<u> </u>	<u>\$ 56.000</u>	

The Notes to Financial Statements are an integral part of these statements.

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#### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### · Note 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

#### Nature of operations

East Kentucky Network, LLC, dba Appalachian Wireless, is a Kentucky limited liability company formed by the merger of Appalachian Cellular, LLC, Mountaineer Cellular, LLC and East Kentucky Network, LLC on January 1, 2000. The Company is engaged in cellular telephone communications and paging services to residential and commercial customers located in eastern Kentucky. The Company's five members consist of Cellular Services, Inc.; Gearheart Communications Company, Inc.; Mountain Telecommunications, Inc.; Peoples Rural Telephone Cooperative Corporation, Inc.; and Thacker-Grigsby Telephone Co., Inc.

Cash

The Company maintains its cash balances, which exceed the \$100,000 federally insured limit, with several financial institutions. These financial institutions have strong credit ratings and management believes that credit risk related to the accounts is minimal.

Cash equivalents

For purposes of the statement of cash flows, the Company considers temporary investments having a maturity of three months or less to be cash equivalents.

Short-term investments

Certificates of deposit having original maturities between three and nine months are classified as short-term investments, are carried at cost, which approximates fair value, and are held to maturity.

#### Inventory

Inventory is composed of cellular telephone equipment, paging equipment, and accessories purchased for resale during the ordinary course of business. The inventory is valued at the lower of cost or market, cost being determined by the first-in, first-out (FIFO) method.

#### Property, plant and equipment

Property, plant and equipment are recorded at cost. Depreciation is provided using the straight-line method over the estimated useful lives of the assets.

#### Investment

The investment in affiliated company is composed of equity certificates in Rural Telephone Finance Cooperative and is reported at cost, which approximates fair value.

#### Note 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

#### Intangible assets

The customer lists, non-compete agreements, FCC licenses, and use of name are recorded at cost and are being amortized over 15 years by the straight-line method. The excess cost over the fair value of the net assets acquired (goodwill) related to paging acquisitions is measured for impairment on an annual basis, and written down, if necessary, to its estimated value at that time. During the prior year, the Company expensed the remaining balance of goodwill as an impairment (see Note 8).

#### Recognition of revenue

Cellular service and paging revenues are recognized when earned. Monthly access and feature charges are billed one month in advance and recognized as revenue the following month. Revenue from telephone and accessories sold are recognized as revenue upon delivery to the customer.

#### Advertising

Advertising costs are expensed as incurred. At December 31, 2006 and 2005, these costs were \$1,574,298 and \$1,139,697, respectively.

#### Income taxes

Under existing provisions of the Internal Revenue Code, the income or loss of a limited liability company is recognized by the members for income tax purposes. Accordingly, no provision for federal income taxes has been provided for in the accompanying financial statements. Effective for years beginning on or after January 1, 2005, the State of Kentucky enacted legislation which now provides for the taxation of limited liability companies' at the entity level. The accompanying financial statements include the related state tax liability under the new regulations.

#### Use of estimates

Management uses estimates and assumptions in preparing financial statements. Those estimates and assumptions affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities, the disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities, and the reported revenues and expenses.

## Note 2. Intangible Assets

Intangible assets consist of the following at December 31, 2006:

	Gross Amount	Accumulated Amortization
Customer lists	\$ 5,363,530	\$ (2,152,951)
Non-compete agreements	. 220,348	(121,577)
FCC licenses	1,141,593	(330,542)
Use of name	10,000	) (4,334)
Other	408,474	(37,509)
	\$ 7,143,945	\$ (2,646,913)

Intangible assets consist of the following at December 31, 2005:

	Gross Amount	Accumulated Amortization
Customer lists	\$ 5,363,530	\$ (1,795,634)
Non-compete agreements	220,348	(106,898)
FCC licenses	1,141,593	(264,446)
Use of name	10,000	(3,668)
Other	68,038	(9,008)
	\$ 6,803,509	\$ (2,179,654)

Aggregate amortization expense related to these intangible assets for the years ended December 31, 2006 and 2005 totaled \$467,259 and \$437,982, respectively. The following represents the total estimated amortization of intangible assets for each of the succeeding five years:

Year ending December 31:

2006	\$ 450,000
2007	450,000
2008	450,000
2009	450,000
2010	450,000

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#### Note 3. Long-Term Debt

Long-term debt consists of the following at December 31:

	2006	2005	
Note payable, Fifth Third Bank (a)			
Dated 02/28/06, variable rate			
(5.41% at 12/31/06)	\$14,200,000	\$	
Notes payable, RTFC (b)			
Dated 11/13/97, variable rate			
Paid in full 03/01/06		194,957	
Dated 11/13/97, variable rate			
Paid in full 03/01/06		899,406	
Dated 11/13/97, fixed rate			
Paid in full 03/01/06		727,521	
Dated 12/31/98, fixed rate			
Paid in full 03/01/06		618,521	
Dated 02/13/01, variable rate			
Paid in full 03/01/06		786,457	
Dated 02/13/01, variable rate			
Paid in full 03/01/06	·	932,200	
Dated 07/27/01, variable rate			
Paid in full 03/01/06		2,845,311	
Lines of Credit, RTFC			
Line of credit, variable rate (c)			
Paid in full 03/01/06		5,000,000	
Line of credit, variable rate (d)			
Paid in full 03/01/06		1,750,000	
Line of Credit, Fifth Third Bank (e)			
Due 03/28/08, variable rate			
(5.41% at 12/31/06)			
	\$	\$ 13,754,373	

- (a) On February 28, 2006, the Company borrowed \$14,200,000 to restructure its debt. The note is payable in 10 annual installments of \$1,200,000 for 2007, \$1,400,000 for 2008 through 2012, and \$1,500,000 for 2013 through 2016, with a variable interest rate. The note is collateralized by the assets of the Company.
- (b) The notes payable to Rural Telephone Finance Cooperative (RTFC) were secured by mortgage and security agreements that include substantially all of the assets of the Company. In addition, the Company was required to purchase equity certificates in RTFC equal to 5% of the total amounts borrowed. The notes were payable in quarterly installments over 15 years with interest at variable or fixed rates set by RTFC. The notes were paid in full on March 1, 2006.

#### Note 3. Long-Term Debt (Continued)

- (c) The line of credit agreement with RTFC provided for borrowings up to \$5,000,000. The agreement carried an interest rate at prime, plus one and one-half percent, was unsecured and was renewed June 28, 2004 for 24 months. The line of credit was paid in full on March 1, 2006.
- (d) The line of credit agreement with RTFC provided for borrowings up to \$2,000,000. The agreement carried an interest rate at prime, plus one and one-half percent, was unsecured and due May 16, 2006. The line of credit was paid in full on March 1, 2006.
- (e) The line of credit agreement with Fifth Third Bank provides for borrowing up to \$3,000,000. The agreement carries a variable interest rate, is secured by certain assets of the company, and is due March 28, 2008.

Approximate maturities or payments required on principal under note payable agreements for each of the succeeding five years are as follows:

Year ending December 31:

2006	\$ 1,200,000
2007	1,400,000
2008	1,400,000
2009	1,400,000
2010	1,400,000

Note 4. Retirement Plans

The Company has a 401(k) plan for qualifying employees who have reached twenty-one years of age. Eligible employees are allowed to invest up to 15% of their compensation and the Company has agreed to match 100% of the first 3% of the employees' contribution and 50% of the employees' contribution between 3% and 5%. The Company contributed \$73,607 and \$67,460 matching funds for its 401(k) plan during the years ended December 31, 2006 and 2005, respectively.

The Company also offers an employer sponsored retirement savings plan for qualified employees who have reached twenty-one years of age. The Company has agreed to contribute 9% of the eligible employee's compensation, plus an additional 5% of the original contribution.

The Company contributed \$259,859 and \$221,669 to its retirement savings plan during the years ended December 31, 2006 and 2005, respectively.

#### Note 5. Related Party Transactions

The Company shares personnel with one of its members. The Company paid \$114,996 and \$132,681 for shared personnel during the years ended December 31, 2006 and 2005 respectively. The Company also leased offices and warehouse space from two members. The leases are for an unspecified length of time. The monthly lease payments total approximately \$7,000. In addition, the Company incurred interconnection and telephone charges from its members aggregating \$752,095 and \$786,283 for the years ended December 31, 2006 and 2005, respectively.

The Company leases two cellular tower sites from the officers and majority shareholders of a member for \$100 per month for each site. The leases are for an unspecified length of time. In addition, the Company leases two other sites from a company owned by this member for \$600 each on a month to month basis.

The Company leases cellular tower sites from the parent company of one of its other members for \$1,039 per month. The leases are for five years with options to renew.

The Company pays commissions to two of it members for phone sales to customers. The amount of commissions paid to related parties was \$45,484 and \$43,873 for 2006 and 2005 respectively.

#### Note 6. Operating Leases

The Company has entered into operating leases with its members and other customers to provide fiber optic transmission capacity and ancillary services. The terms of these leases are for 15 years.

Total rental income earned from these operating lease commitments included in the statements of income were \$1,130,809 and \$1,254,902 for the years ended December 31, 2006 and 2005, respectively. Rental income earned from the Company's members from these leases was \$631,789 and \$713,599 for the years ended December 31, 2006 and 2005, respectively.

Investments in operating leases are as follows at December 31:

	2000 2003
Fiber ring	\$ 6,471,128 \$ 6,245,412
Accumulated depreciation	(982,379) (773,028)
	\$ 5,488,749 \$ 5,472,384

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The future minimum rental payments expected to be received under these lease agreements for each of the succeeding five years are approximately \$700,000 each year based upon new contracts negotiated during 2005.

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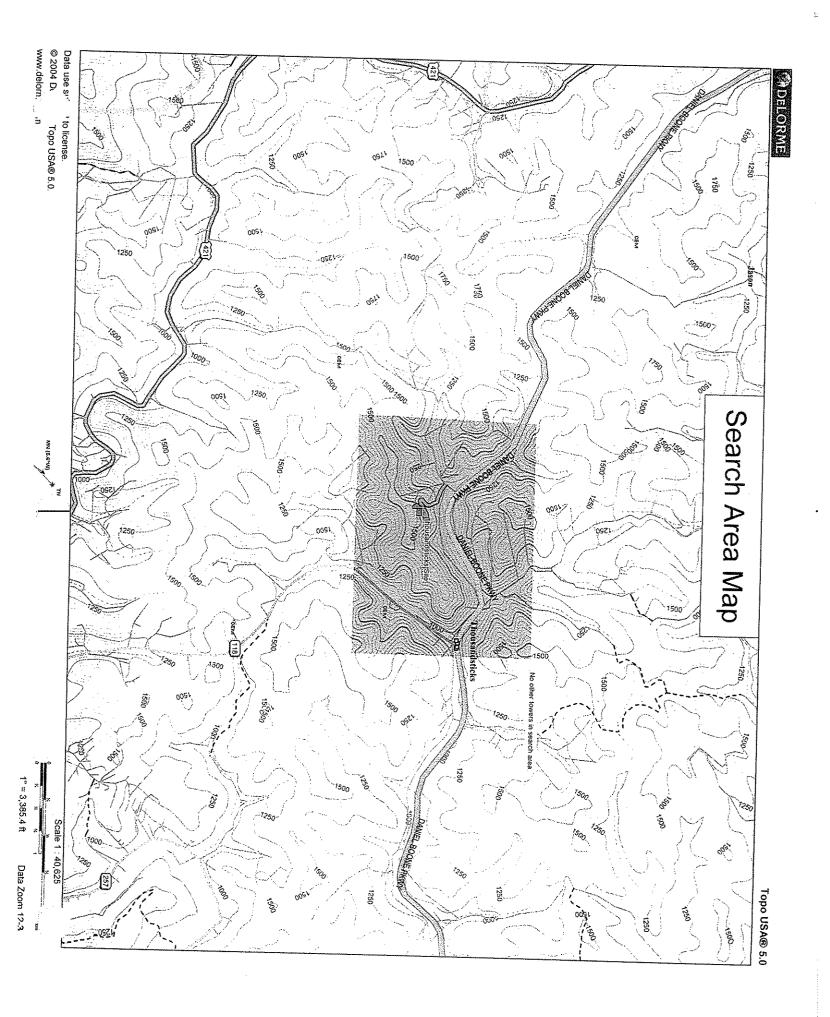
## Directions to Thousandsticks

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From the Courthouse in Hyden Kentucky Take route 421 west .4 miles to route 118. Turn right onto Hwy. 118 North for 3.3 miles to the Jct. of Hwy. 118 and 3424. Turn left onto Hwy. 3424 (Davison Fork Rd.) and continue for 1.2 miles to Faith Mountain Rd. Turn left onto Faith Mountain Rd. .7 mile to top of the mountain. The tower site is located at the end of the road.

Directions were written by,

Marty Thacker Appalachian Wireless 606-438-2355 Ext. 111 (office) 606-634-9505 (cell phone) <u>m.thacker@tgtel.com</u> (email)



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## DECLARATION and GRANT OF PERPETUAL EASEMENT and RIGHT OF WAY

THIS DECLARATION and GRANT OF PERPETUAL EASEMENT AND RIGHT OF WAY made and executed on the <u>3</u> day of <u>December</u>, 2007 by and between Wayne Ramey and Shirley Ramey, his wife, of <u>lot Davidsor Fork Rd</u> <u>Hydeu</u>, Kentucky <u>W749</u>, GRANTOR, and East Kentucky Network, LLC d/b/a Appalachian Wireless, of 101 Technology Trail, Ivel, Kentucky 41642, GRANTEE:

WHEREAS, Grantors are the owners of that certain tract of land located in Leslie County, Kentucky, as more particularly described in that certain Deed of Conveyance from Fred Barnes and Brenda Barnes, his wife, to Wayne Ramey and Shirley Ramey, his wife, by deed dated March 21, 2000, recorded in Deed Book 147, Page 273, Leslie County Clerk's Office;

WHEREAS, Grantors and Grantee have, for a valuable consideration as set out hereinafter, agreed to the dedication and grant of a perpetual easement and right of way in favor of the Grantee, its successors and assigns, for a portion of the Property, described by metes and bounds in the description attached hereto and made a part hereof as Exhibit "A", and as shown on the Plat dated the  $\frac{19^{-th}}{19^{-th}}$  day of <u>November</u>, 2007, prepared by James W. Caudill, PLS, and attached hereto and made a part hereof as Exhibit "B", said real property being hereinafter referred to as the "Premises", together with certain nonexclusive easements and right of ways as set out hereinafter;

NOW THEREFORE, for and in consideration of the sum of Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000.00, inclusive of \$200.00 per Option Agreement of July 10, 2007), the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, the Grantors do hereby grant and convey unto Grantee, its successors and assigns, the perpetual and exclusive right and easement to use the Premises as described at Exhibit "A" and shown upon the Plat at Exhibit "B", respectively, attached hereto and made a part hereof, for the purpose of constructing buildings, towers, guy lines, anchors and other related facilities, including, but not limited to telephone lines, coaxial lines, power lines and the installation of any and all other equipment deemed necessary by Grantee to receive and transmit any and all electronic signals in the rural service area now or hereafter to be served by the facility. The parties hereto recognize that technology in the communications field is advancing at a rapid rate and that this site may be used for any other purpose now in the development stage or which may later be developed in the communications industry to carry out the objectives of Grantee, that being to transmit and receive signals and communications by wire, fiber optics, radio and satellite, in connection with Grantee's business. And for the consideration aforesaid, Grantors grant and convey to Grantee the nonexclusive easement and right of way for ingress and egress by any method, whether pedestrian or motorized vehicles of all types and descriptions, together with the right, privilege and easement to construct and locate, with Grantors' input to such roadway or easement for a width of twenty feet (20'); together with

A non-exclusive easement and right of way of twenty feet (20') either side along any such roadway for the construction, installation and maintenance of utility lines, including telephone, electric power, including wires, poles, cables, conduits, and pipes over, under or along a twenty foot (20') wide right of way across the Property of Grantors extending from the nearest public right of way to the Premises. Grantee may gate its access road in a manner to best prevent trespassing. The gate shall be kept locked with a lock furnished by Grantee, who shall also furnish the Grantors with a key to the lock.

It is understood that the easements and rights of way granted above whether exclusive or non-exclusive, as applicable, are perpetual in nature. The Grantee, if in its sole and exclusive judgment determines that the Premises are no longer needed in connection with Grantee's business, shall have the right to surrender the perpetual easements and rights of way granted herein upon sixty (60) days written notice of such intention to Grantors, and thereafter, shall have one hundred eighty (180) days within which to remove any and all of its buildings, equipment or facilities constructed upon the Premises, after such time the Premises shall revert to Grantors.

Grantors warrant generally the Premises, rights, easements, and privileges granted herein.

Grantors shall not use the remainder of the Property of Grantors of which this Grant of Easement and Right of Way is a part for the construction, installation or operation of any wireless communications facilities which would unreasonably interfere with Grantee's communications facility.

This grant and the exhibits attached hereto constitute the entire agreement of the Parties, and no oral or implied agreements or representations will be binding upon the Parties hereto.

This instrument shall be interpreted under the laws of the Commonwealth of Kentucky.

The terms, covenants and provisions of this Grant of Easement and Right of Way shall be binding upon the Parties hereto, their respective executors, administrators, heirs, successors and assigns. Grantee shall pay all personal property taxes assessed on, or any portion of such taxes attributable to, the equipment used by Grantee on the Premises. Grantors shall pay when due all real property taxes and all other fees and assessments attributable to the Premises. Grantee shall reimburse the Grantors as additional compensation for any increase in real estate taxes levied against the Grantors (or their heirs or assigns) which are attributable to or arise as a result of the improvements constructed by the Grantee, its successors or assigns.

Grantee shall indemnify and save harmless the Grantors of any liability by virtue of Grantee's activities upon the Premises or in the exercise of any of the rights, privileges and rights of way granted herein, specifically including but not limited to any claim, loss, fine, penalty and costs (including reasonable attorney's fees) arising out of any violation of any environmental laws or regulation. This provision shall survive the termination of this Grant of Easement.

All notices, demands or other writings provided to be given, made or sent hereunder, shall be deemed to have been given when made in writing and deposited in the United States mail, certified and postage prepaid, to Grantors and Grantee at the addresses stated in the caption of this Grant, unless addresses have been changed by written notice given by either Party.

WITNESS OUR HANDS, the day and year aforesaid.

NTORS: me ne Ramey Shirley Ramey

**GRANTEE:** 

EAST KENTUCKY NETWORK, LLC d/b/a APPALACHIAN WIRELESS

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## STATE OF KENTUCKY COUNTY OF <u>*Le5/.e.*</u>

The foregoing Declaration of Grant of Perpetual Easement and Right of Way was this  $3r^{2}$  day of <u>December</u>, 2007, produced and acknowledged before me by **Wayne Ramey and Shirley Ramey**, his wife, Grantors.

NOTARY PUBLIC COMMISSION EXPIRES: 07:22-2009

STATE OF KENTUCKY COUNTY OF  $\underline{F(ayc)}$ 

The foregoing Declaration of Grant of Perpetual Easement and Right of Way was this day of <u>December</u>, 2007, produced and acknowledged before me by East Kentucky Network, LLC, dba Appalachian Wireless by <u>Creral F Robinette</u>, its <u>General Manager</u>, Grantee,

NOTARY PUBLIC

COMMISSION EXPIRES: Data 2009

This is to certify that this instrument was prepared by:

WILLIAM S. KENDRICK, ATTORNEY FRANCIS, KENDRICK & FRANCIS P.O. Box 268 Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653 606/886-2812

## STATE OF KENTUCKY COUNTY OF LESLIE

Clerk's Certificate of Lodgment and Record

I, \_\_\_\_\_, Clerk of the County for the County and State aforesaid, certify that the foregoing Declaration and Grant of Perpetual Easement and

## STATE OF KENTUCKY COUNTY OF \_\_\_\_\_

The foregoing Declaration of Grant of Perpetual Easement and Right of Way was this day of \_\_\_\_\_\_, 2007, produced and acknowledged before me by **Wayne Ramey and Shirley Ramey, his wife,** Grantors.

NOTARY PUBLIC COMMISSION EXPIRES:\_\_\_\_\_

## STATE OF KENTUCKY COUNTY OF \_\_\_\_\_

The foregoing Declaration of Grant of Perpetual Easement and Right of Way was this day of \_\_\_\_\_\_, 2007, produced and acknowledged before me by East Kentucky Network, LLC, dba Appalachian Wireless by \_\_\_\_\_\_, its \_\_\_\_\_, Grantee.

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## STATE OF KENTUCKY COUNTY OF LESLIE

## Clerk's Certificate of Lodgment and Record

I, \_\_\_\_\_\_, Clerk of the County for the County and State aforesaid, certify that the foregoing Declaration and Grant of Perpetual Easement and Right of Way was on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2007 lodged for record, whereupon the same, with the foregoing and this certificate have been duly recorded in my office.

WITNESS my hand, this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2007.

Clerk

By\_\_\_\_\_ D.C.

Right of Way was on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2007 lodged for record, whereupon the same, with the foregoing and this certificate have been duly recorded in my office.

WITNESS my hand, this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2007.

\_\_\_\_\_Clerk

By\_\_\_\_\_ D.C.

(Exhibit A"

## **DEED DESCRIPTION** FOR SUB DIVISION OF Property of WAYNE & SHIRLEY RAMEY P.O. Box 113, Hyden, KY. Davidson Fork of Bull Creek off Middle Fk KY River Near Thousand Sticks in Leslie County November 19, 2007

A portion of the property lying within the tract of land located on Davidson Fork of Bull Creek off Middle Fork of Kentucky River in Leslie County Kentucky, near the community of Thousand Sticks. Being a part of the same land conveyed by deed from Fred & Brenda Barnes to Wayne & Shirley Ramey, and recorded in Deed Book 147 Page 273 of the Leslie County Court House.

#### Lot #1

Beginning on a found iron pin with cap marked LS3223 on top of knob and center of ridge between Davidson Branch of Bull Creek and Thousand Sticks branch of Bull Creek, being a point on the line of Larry Muncy (deed book 102 page 1) and Johnny & Sally Sizemore (deed book 169. page 99) and having NAD 83 coordinates of N:1954527.94, E:2315375.05; thence running with the line of Johnny & Sally Sizemore and the ridge South 16 deg 07 min 52 sec East, 151.31 feet to a found iron pin with cap marked LS3223 on the center of the ridge at an old wire fence; thence leaving the ridge and the Sizemore line and running down the hill, severing the land of Wayne & Shirley Ramey South 74 deg 19 min 16 sec West, 106.98 feet to a set iron pin with cap on hillside; North 55 deg 06 min 34 sec West, 87. 12 feet to a set iron pin with cap on hillside; thence running up to a point North 07 deg 29 min 57 sec East, 113.09 feet to a found pk nail in lead plug in rock being a point on the line of Larry Muncy; thence running with the line of Larry Muncy North 84 deg 01 min 38 sec East, 118.31 feet to the beginning. Unless stated otherwise, any monument referred to herein as "set iron pin with cap" is a set 1/2" diameter rebar, at least eighteen (18") in length, with a plastic cap stamped "LS-2259". All bearings stated herein are referred to the NAD83 KY South State Plane north. This survey preformed by James W. Caudill, LS2259, on November 19, 2007.

Containing a calculated area of 223542 sq ft or 0.51 acres.

This according to a survey by James W. Caudill, PLS #2259, on November 19, 2007.

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# STATE OF KENTUCKY

I, JAMES LEWIS, Clerk of the County and State aforesaid do hereby certify that the foregoing <u>EASEMENT AND RIGHT OF WAY</u> was lodged in my office for record, and that it, the foregoing and this certificate have been duly recorded in my said office in

DEED: Book No. <u>176</u>, Page No. <u>827</u>

Witness my hand this <u>12</u> day of <u>DECEMBER</u>, <u>2007</u>.

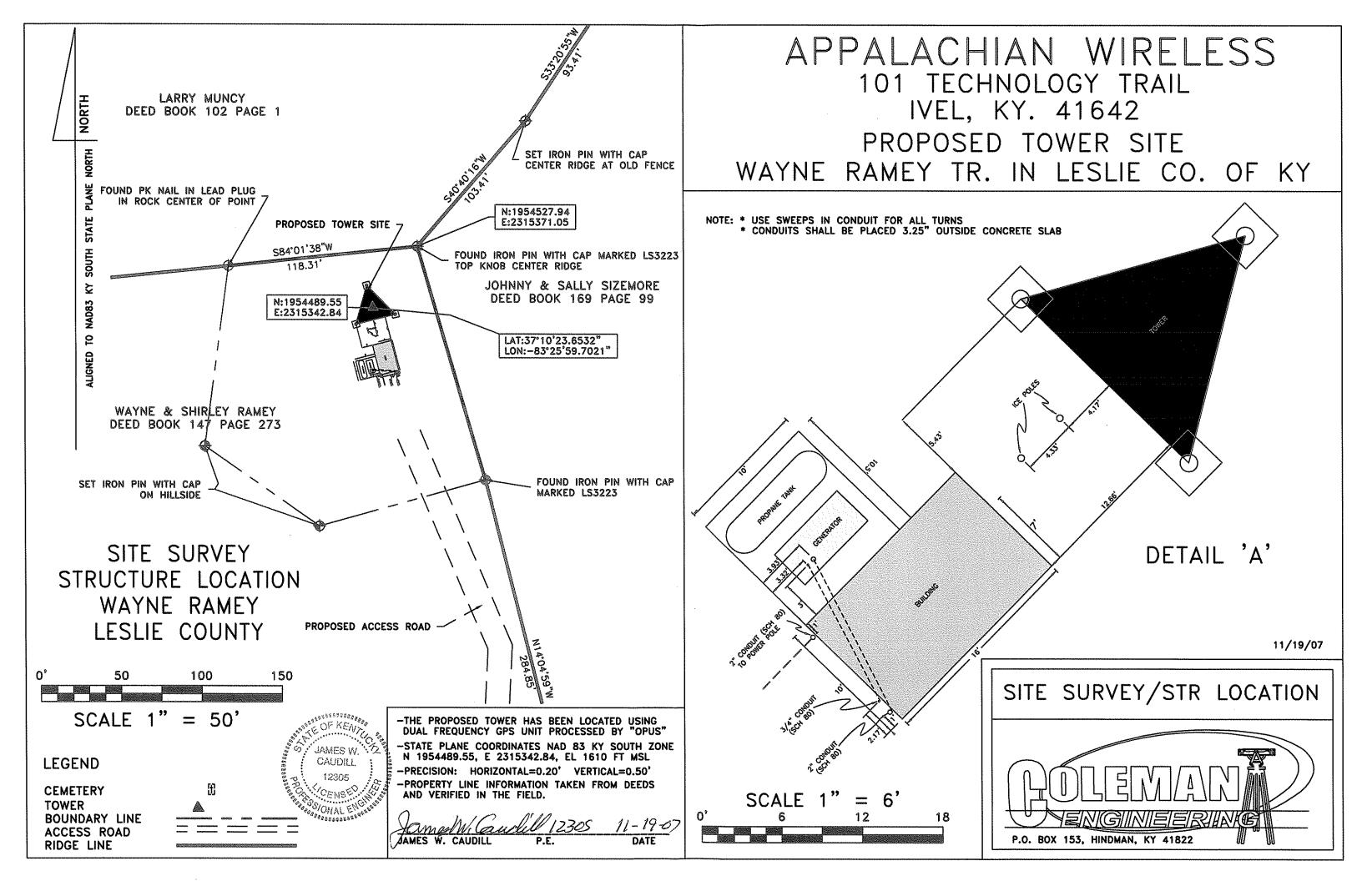
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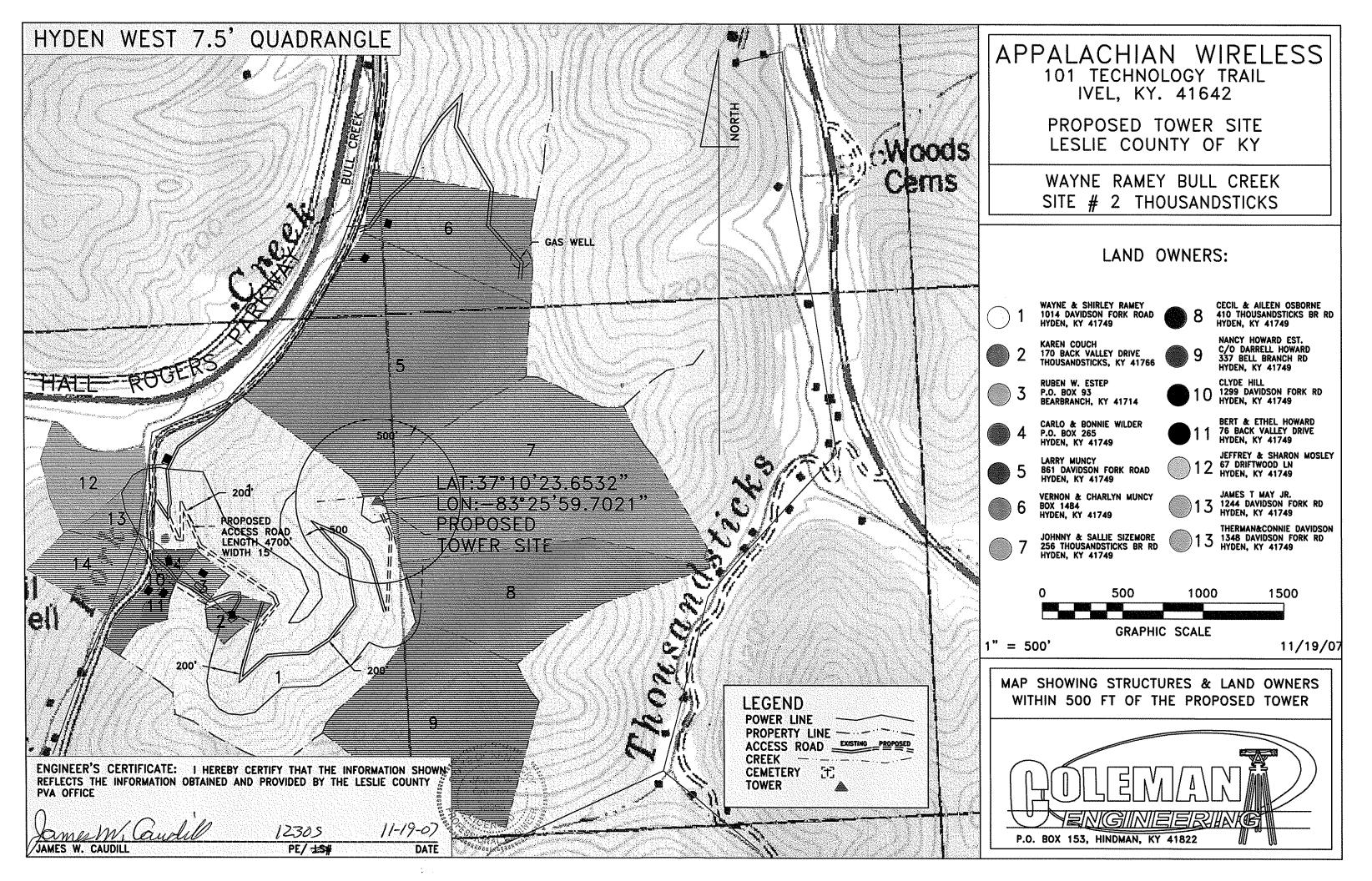
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