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## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

RE: Case No. 2008-00018 Bluegrass Wireless LLC

I, Stephanie Stumbo, Executive Director of the Public Service Commission, hereby certify that the enclosed attested copy of the Commission's Order in the above case was served upon the addressee by U.S. Mail on March 26, 2008.

**Executive Director** 

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#### COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

## BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

)	THE APPLICATION OF BLUEGRASS WIRELESS, LLC D/B/A BLUEGRASS CELLULAR AND HEMPHILL CORPORATION FOR ISSUANCE OF A CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY TO CONSTRUCT A WIRELESS COMMUNICATIONS FACILITY IN THE LOUISVILLE, LEXINGTON-EVANSVILLE MAJOR TRADING AREA, WHITLEY CITY, PULASKI COUNTY, KENTUCKY SITE NO. 1355	) ) ) ) CASE NO. ) 2008-00018 ) ) )
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# ORDER

On February 7, 2008, Bluegrass Wireless, LLC d/b/a Bluegrass Cellular and Hemphill Corporation ("Applicant") filed an application seeking a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to construct and operate a wireless telecommunications facility. The proposed facility consists of a guyed antenna tower not to exceed 349 feet in height, with attached antenna, to be located off Liz Worley Circle, Whitley City, Pulaski County, Kentucky. The coordinates for the proposed facility are North Latitude 36° 53' 58.62" by West Longitude 84° 30' 50.05".

The Applicant has provided information regarding the structure of the tower, safety measures, and antenna design criteria for the proposed facility. Based upon the application, the design of the tower and foundation conforms to applicable nationally

recognized building standards, and a Licensed Professional Engineer has certified the plans.

Pursuant to 807 KAR 5:063, the Applicant has notified the County Judge/Executive of the proposed construction. The Applicant has filed applications with the Federal Aviation Administration ("FAA") and the Kentucky Airport Zoning Commission ("KAZC") seeking approval for the construction and operation of the proposed facility. The FAA application has been approved, but the KAZC decision is still pending.

The Applicant has filed evidence of the appropriate notices provided pursuant to 807 KAR 5:063. The notices solicited comments and informed the recipients of their right to request intervention. On January 31, 2008, the Commission received a letter of concern regarding the placement of the proposed tower from Jerome E. Perez. The Commission issued a response letter on February 25, 2008, which allowed Mr. Perez 10 days to request full intervention in this matter. To date, the Commission has received no further correspondence from Mr. Perez regarding further participation in this matter.

The Commission, having considered the evidence of record and being otherwise sufficiently advised, finds the Applicant has demonstrated a facility is necessary to provide adequate utility service and that, therefore, a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to construct the proposed facility should be granted.

Pursuant to KRS 278.280, the Commission is required to determine proper practices to be observed when it finds, upon complaint or on its own motion, the

facilities of any utility subject to its jurisdiction are unreasonable, unsafe, improper, or insufficient. To assist the Commission in its efforts to comply with this mandate, the Applicant should notify the Commission if it does not use this antenna tower to provide service in the manner set out in its application and this Order. Upon receipt of such notice, the Commission may, on its own motion, institute proceedings to consider the proper practices, including removal of the unused antenna tower, which should be observed by the Applicant.

#### IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that:

- 1. The Applicant is granted a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to construct a wireless telecommunications facility. The proposed facility consists of a guyed antenna tower not to exceed 349 feet in height, with attached antenna, and is to be located off Liz Worley Circle, Whitley City, Pulaski County, Kentucky. The coordinates for the proposed facility are North Latitude 36° 53' 58.62" by West Longitude 84° 30' 50.05".
- 2. The Applicant shall file a copy of the final decision regarding the pending KAZC application for the proposed construction within 10 days of receiving the decision.
- 3. The Applicant shall immediately notify the Commission in writing, if, after the antenna tower is built and utility service is commenced, the tower is not used for a period of 3 months in the manner authorized by this Order.
- 4. The Applicant shall also notify the Commission in writing, within 20 days of completion, that it has finished construction of the tower and the date upon which said construction was complete.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 26th day of March, 2008.

By the Commission

Executive Director

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