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Mr. Jeff Derouen, Exec. Dir.
Kentucky Public Service Commission
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RE: Case No. 2013-00418

Dear Mr. Derouen,

Pursuant to the discussion of Ballard Rural Telephone Cooperative's representative with the Public Service Commission, on January 21, 2014, this letter is to notify the Commission that I will serve as attorney of record for Ballard Rural Telephone Cooperative Corporation, Inc. in Case No. 2013-00418.

The Rural Utilities Service (RUS) approved Ballard Rural Telephone Cooperative's loan application as of November 6, 2013 and RUS requires that the loan documents be signed and completed within 120 days of its loan application approval. Ballard will need the order for the Certificate for Convenience and Necessity for Construction of a Gigabit Passive Optical Network by the second week of February 2014 in order to meet this deadline.

In addition to the 120-day deadline, RUS gives Ballard five years beginning with the November 6, 2013 loan application approval date to complete its build out and draw down of all the loan funds. Therefore each month, week and day before we can begin our progress toward construction is critical to comply with the 120-day return of loan documents requirement, but also to comply with the completion of the projects within the five year time frame.

Your assistance in expediting this order is sincerely appreciated. If we can provide any further information to facilitate this effort, please contact me.

Sincerely,



Mark S. Medlin
General Counsel

C: Harlon Parker, Manager & CEO
Ballard Rural Telephone Cooperative