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Ms. Gwen R. Pinson, Esq. Executive Director Kentucky Public Service Commission P.O. Box 615 Frankfort, KY 40602-0615

Re: Petition of Gibson Connect, LLC, for Designation as an Eligible Telecommunications Carrier – Response to Commission Staff's First Request for Information to Gibson Connect, LLC

December 21, 2018

Case No. 2018-00333

Dear Ms. Pinson:

Enclosed for filing are one original and five copies of the Supplemental Response of Gibson Connect, LLC to Commission Staff's First Request for Information. Please date stamp the enclosed duplicate of this submission, and return the stamped duplicate in the self-addressed, postage-prepaid envelope. Please direct any questions to undersigned counsel.

Very truly yours,

Stoll Keenon Ogden PLLC

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Gerald Wuetcher

GEW Enclosures

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

PETITION OF GIBSON CONNECT, LLC FOR DESIGNATION AS AN ELIGIBLE TELECOMMUNICATIONS CARRIER

CASE NO. 2018-00333

NOTICE OF FILING

Gibson Connect LLC gives notice of the filing of its supplemental response to

Commission Staff's First Request for Information.

Dated: December 21, 2018

Respectfully submitted,

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SUPPLEMENTAL RESPONSE OF GIBSON CONNECT, LLC TO COMMISSION STAFF'S FIRST REQUEST FOR INFORMATION DATED DECEMBER 5, 2018

FILED: DECEMBER 21, 2018

GIBSON CONNECT, LLC

Supplemental Response to Commission Staff's First Request for Information December 5, 2018

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Question No. 2

<u>Witness</u>: Charles L. Phillips

- **Q-2.** Refer to the Application, Section III, Paragraph F, in which Gibson Connect states that it possesses the financial and technical capabilities to pay for all start-up expenses through its parent, Gibson EMC.
 - d. Describe in detail the persons who will be responsible for the design, construction, and engineering of the network. Include any previous experience these persons have in telecommunications or in designing networks.
- A-2. d. Additional information regarding Quanta Telecom Services ("Quanta Telecom"), the firm responsible for the engineering and construction of Phase 1, is attached.

Company Bio and Projects:

Quanta Services safely provides engineering, procurement and construction services for comprehensive infrastructure needs in the electric power, pipeline and telecommunications industries. From engineering and design to construction, maintenance and repair, Quanta Services is the complete solution. With a workforce over 29,000 employees strong, no single provider can match Quanta's scale and scope of work. Quanta maintains nearly 200 offices, shops, warehouses and yards in strategic locations throughout the U.S., Canada and abroad, positioning Quanta to respond quickly to customer needs, regardless of location.

Within the Quanta Services family, Quanta Telecommunication Services (QTS) develops and executes solutions to manage an entire telecommunication project lifecycle, by providing in-house expertise for design, installation, operation, testing and maintenance. QTS brings world class telecommunications infrastructure expertise to North and Latin America with the high standards of safety, quality and customer satisfaction that is the hallmark of a Quanta Services company.

QTS has repeatedly proven to be a leading infrastructure solutions provider for our clients:

- Verizon One Fiber (2017-Present):
 - o Design and build point-to-point fiber routes of 4000+ miles across 9 cities.
 - Involves design, permitting, schematics, construction, and as-builts for both aerial and underground fiber placement across 150+ jurisdictions.
 - Scheduled to be complete in 2020.
- Bell Canada (2017-Present):
 - o Underground design, construction, and management for FTTH across Ontario Canada.
 - o Scheduled to be complete in 2020.
- MCNC (2009-2011): _
 - 100% underground long-haul fiber build in NC connecting educational institutions with high speed network.
 - o Constructed over 1k miles in underground environment.
 - Project was completed on schedule and within budget.

Tom Harter: Executive Vice President of Engineering Services - QTS

As a Registered Professional Engineer in 38 states, including Tennessee and Kentucky, Tom has provided engineering expertise and leadership on projects ranging from government-funded rural applications, to large scale ventures that span the nation. Creating innovative engineering methods and promoting a culture of respect, accountability, and high quality performance, Tom has attracted and retained the best talent in the industry. He consistently finds synergies with sister companies in order to streamline operations and ensure efficiency.

Tom is currently serving as Executive Vice President of Engineering Services at Quanta Telecommunication Services, leading a \$450 million fiber densification project for Verizon across nine North American markets.

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Prior to overseeing Verizon's large-scale project, Tom was Managing Principal for a 2,200-mile fiber optic overbuild in Kentucky, keeping completion of this \$120 million stimulus project on schedule and under budget.

Tom recently served as Project Executive on a Bell Canada project, where he managed the startup of the Quanta Telecommunication Services location in Toronto, Canada. While getting QTS Canada up and running, Tom oversaw all details of the project, met new services demands on time, and generated over \$50 million with continuous services in this region.

Tom holds a Bachelor of Industrial Engineering and a Masters of Science in Operations Research from the Georgia Institute of Technology.

Johnny Rushing: Senior Field Operations Manager- QTS

Johnny Rushing has worked as the Senior Field Operations Manager for Quanta Telecom Services since April of 2016. Johnny manages various engineering field operations for numerous clients across several states. He has decades of experience in construction supervision, engineering design, project management, RUS, and right-of-way acquisitions.

Prior to his current role, he worked with Engineering Associates as a Senior Field Operations Manager, Project Manager, and Senior Engineer where he managed operations and construction for 160+ RUS funded contracts in Tennessee, Kentucky, Arkansas, and the Carolinas.

Johnny has also worked as a Senior Engineering Consultant where he worked on multi state projects managing OSP engineering, construction, inspection, cutover preparation, and right-of-way acquisitions.

Johnny holds a B.S. in Technology from Georgia Southern University.