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PARTIES OF RECORD

RE: Case No. 2021-00178

The Commission staff has reviewed the application in the above case and finds that it meets the minimum filing requirements and has been accepted for filing.

Enclosed please find a stamped filed copy of the first page of your filing. This case has been docketed and will be processed as expeditiously as possible.

If you need further assistance, please contact my staff at 502-564-3940.

Sincerely,

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## COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the matter of:

THE APPLICATION OF EAST KENTUCKY NETWORK,<br/>LLC FOR THE ISSUANCE OF A CERTIFICATE OF<br/>PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY TO<br/>CONSTRUCT A TOWER IN LAWRENCE<br/>COUNTY, KENTUCKY)

East Kentucky Network, LLC d/b/a Appalachian Wireless, was granted authorization to provide cellular service in the KY-9 Cellular Market Area (CMA451) by the Federal Communications Commission (FCC). FCC license is included as Exhibit 1. East Kentucky Network, LLC merger documents were filed with the Commission on February 2, 2001 in Case No. 2001-022. East Kentucky Network, LLC is a Kentucky Limited Liability Company that was organized on June 16, 1998. East Kentucky Network, LLC is in good standing with the state of Kentucky.

In an effort to improve service in Lawrence County, pursuant to KRS 278.020 Subsection 1 and 807 KAR 5:001, East Kentucky Network, LLC is seeking the Commission's approval to construct a 300-foot self-supporting tower on a tract of land located at 899 Hereford Farm Road, Lawrence County, Kentucky (38°09'17.34" N 82°50'46.12" W). A map and detailed directions to the site can be found in Exhibit 7.

Construction of the proposed tower is required by public convenience and necessity. Due to increasing demand for telecommunications service, the proposed tower is necessary to provide adequate coverage. The proposed tower will improve service in Lawrence County by providing an interconnection between East Kentucky Network, LLC's other sites thereby forming a cohesive network.

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