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Ms. Stephanie L. Stumbo, Executive Director Kentucky Public Service Commission 211 Sower Boulevard Frankfort, KY 40602-0615 RECEIVED

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PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Re: Notification of *Pro Forma* Assignment of Telecommunications Carrier Registration from Mobilitie, LLC to KY Backhaul Transmission Networks, LLC

Dear Ms. Stumbo:

Mobilitie, LLC ("Mobilitie," or "Assignor") and KY Backhaul Transmission Networks, LLC ("KY Backhaul," or "Assignee") (collectively the "Parties"), by undersigned counsel, hereby notify the Kentucky Public Service Commission ("Commission"), of the *pro forma* assignment of Mobilitie's Telecommunications Carrier Registration to KY Backhaul ("Transaction").

It is the Parties' understanding that Commission approval is not required for the Transaction pursuant to Ky. Rev. Stat. § 278.020(7)(b). Accordingly, the Parties submit this letter for informational purposes only to ensure the continuing accuracy of the Commission's records. The Parties respectfully request that the Commission update its records, website, and other information as appropriate to reflect that KY Backhaul will hold the registration following completion of the Transaction. The Parties intend to complete the assignment as soon as any required regulatory approvals are obtained.

In support, the Parties provide the following information:

#### I. DESCRIPTION OF THE PARTIES

## A. Mobilitie, LLC

Mobilitie is a limited liability company organized under the laws of the State of Nevada. Mobilitie designs, builds, and operates network and infrastructure to deliver optimal wireless coverage. Mobilitie's complete wireless infrastructure solutions include funding, designing, building, operating, and maintaining neutral host outdoor and indoor distributed antenna systems (DAS), small cells, Wi-Fi, and communication towers. On March 16, 2007, Mobilitie registered to provide non-switched local transport service within the Commonwealth of Kentucky.¹ Mobilitie is authorized to provide competitive local exchange, interexchange, and/or backhaul transport telecommunications services pursuant to registration, agency order, or on a deregulated basis in all fifty states, and the District of Columbia. Mobilitie's headquarters is located at 2220 University Drive, Newport Beach, California 92660.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> See Comments for Utility ID: 5055550 Mobilitie, LLC, KENTUCKY PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION, <a href="http://psc.ky.gov/utility">http://psc.ky.gov/utility</a> master/ReadOnlyCounties.aspx (last visited Mar. 1, 2016).

#### **B. KY Backhaul Transmission Networks, LLC**

KY Backhaul is a Delaware limited liability company with its principal business address at 869 East Schaumburg Road, #324, Schaumburg, Illinois 60194-3653. KY Backhaul is a wholly-owned, indirect subsidiary of Mobilitie.

# II. DESCRIPTION OF THE TRANSACTION

For business and operational reasons, Mobilitie is transferring its Telecommunications Carrier Registration to KY Backhaul.

Following closing, KY Backhaul will continue to offer the same services as Mobilitie to its customers in the Commonwealth of Kentucky. Furthermore, Mobilitie's management will continue to be responsible for the day-to-day operations of KY Backhaul's business.

### III. PUBLIC INTEREST STATEMENT

The Parties submit that the Transaction described herein serves the public interest. The Transaction promotes competition among telecommunications carriers by providing KY Backhaul with the opportunity to strengthen its competitive position in order to accelerate the growth of the business. The Parties anticipate that the Transaction will enable them to deliver greater value and variety of services to their customers.

The Transaction will be transparent to customers, and will not result in the discontinuance, reduction, loss, or impairment of service to customers. Rather, as noted, it will enable the Parties to make available a greater variety of high-quality, innovative services to their customers.

# IV. CONTACTS

Correspondence concerning this Notice should be sent to the following individuals:

#### Assignor

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Please update the Commission's records with the following information for KY Backhaul:

KY Backhaul Transmission Networks, LLC 869 East Schaumburg Road, #324 Schaumburg, IL 60194-3653

Tel: (877) 296-1009 Email: <u>info@itbutility.com</u>

Website: www.itbutility.com

## V. CONCLUSION

For the reasons stated above, the Parties respectfully submit that the public interest, convenience, and necessity would be furthered by the Transaction. Accordingly, the Parties respectfully advise the Commission of their participation in the Transaction as described above.

An original and one (1) copy of this filing are enclosed. Please date stamp the enclosed extra copy of this filing and return it in the attached self-addressed envelope. If there are any questions regarding this filing, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned directly.

Respectfully submitted,

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