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Re: Status of Case No. 2007-00464

Dear Director Hill:

The Commission acknowledges receipt of your letter of December 4, 2008 requesting a status update on Commission Case No. 2007-00464 concerning the petition to expand the funding base for the Telecommunications Access Program (TAP), as filed by the Kentucky Commission on the Deaf and Hard of Hearing (KCDHH).

The Commission is currently conducting an active and thorough review of the petition to determine the lawful and proper method by which the TAP funding mechanism can be expanded to support the current and future telecommunications device needs of Kentucky's deaf, hard-of-hearing and speech-impaired community.

The Commission takes KCDHH's petition very seriously and understands the fiscal constraints currently placed upon your agency as related to the support for TAP. However, the Commission must ensure that its decisions, especially ones wherein large segments of the telecommunications industry and its customers may potentially be affected, are in-depth both in analysis and conclusions of law.

The Commission greatly appreciates your correspondence on this matter.

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