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April 15, 2009

Kentucky Public Service Commission PO Box 615 211 Sower Boulevard Frankfort, Kentucky 40602-0615

In Re: Case No 2009-00119 Ballard Rural Telephone Cooperative Corporation, Inc.

Dear Mr. Derouen:

This letter is to respond to the Kentucky Public Service Commission's letter dated March 30, 2009. Ballard RTCC has to the best of its ability attempted to address the deficiencies identified by the Commission.

If the Commission or its Staff has any other questions please contact me at 270-665-5186.

Yours Truly,

Harlon E. Parker General Manager/CEO

In response to the Public Service Commission's letter concerning filing deficiencies in Case No. 2009-00119, Ballard Rural Telephone Cooperative, Incorporation ("BRTCC") files the following response.

1. Regarding 807 KAR 5:001: Section 8(3), BRTC on March 30, 2009 submitted a certified copy of its Articles of Incorporations as Exhibit A.

Regarding 807 KAR 5:001: Section 9(2)(c), BRTC on March 30, 2009 submitted a copy of its RUS loan design as Exhibit C which contains a description of the proposed locations, routes and how it will be constructed. Currently, BRTC anticipates that it will compete in some exchanges with Galaxy Television. Galaxy Television has facilities that will permit it to provide broadband and other communication services.

Regarding 807 KAR 5:001: Section 9(2)(d) BRTC on March 30, 2009 submitted four maps of the proposed construction as Exhibit B.

Regarding 807 KAR 5:001 9(2)(f) BRTC incorrectly stated in section 9 of the Application that Exhibit D was an RUS approval letter, stating how BRTC will finance the proposed construction. BRTC's consultant misunderstood the RUS letter which approves the engineering and cost estimates in the loan package. The letter is not a commitment letter for the loan. Instead RUS is continuing to process the loan application.

Regarding 807 KAR 5:001 Section 9(2)(f) BRTC does not have an estimate of the cost of operation after the completion of the construction. Because of the timing of the various components of the construction and the applicable interest rates, BRTC is unable to provide even a rough estimate of the operational costs at this time. BRTC is continuing to work with RUS to develop these estimates. RUS has indicated that it will require a Commission Order granting a Certificate of Convenience and Necessity prior to its approval of the "N" Loan Application. Because of the regulatory requirement that BRTC provide an estimate of the costs of operations after construction as a part of the Application, BRTC requests an approval of its Application contingent on BRTC providing the operational costs estimates prior to BRTC commencing construction. In addition, BRTC would request that the Commission make its issuance of a Certificate of Convenience and Necessity contingent on RUS approval of the "N" Loan Application.

2. Regarding KRS 322.340 BRTC on March 30, 2009 submitted its engineering plans, plats, and report for the proposed construction as Exhibit C. The document was prepared, dated and signed by a registered engineer in Kentucky.