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RE: Case Number 2009-00246 – Confidentiality Request Dated September 28, 2009 - Request for Confidential Protection of Windstream's Responses to AT&T Mobility

Dear Mr. Moore:

On September 28, 2009, the Commission received Windstream Kentucky East, LLC ("Windstream") Petition to treat as confidential its responses to New Cingular Wireless PCS. LLC d/b/a AT&T Mobility's First Data Requests. Windstream seeks to have Items 51 and 60 and Exhibits A through M of its responses withheld from public inspection. In support of its Petition, Windstream states that the information contained within those responses are proprietary and confidential and would aid Windstream's competitors if released. Windstream states that the responses have specific dollar figures related to Windstream's cost study and Windstream's costs of providing service in Kentucky. For these reasons, Windstream states that its responses are entitled to confidential treatment under KRS 61.878 et seq.

The Commission has determined that Items 51 and 60 and Exhibits A through M of Windstream's data request responses, if disclosed, would cause competitive injury. This information satisfies the standard for protection under KRS 61.878, *et seq.* and 807 KAR 5:001, Section 7, and, therefore, Windstream's request for confidentiality is **GRANTED**.

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The Commission will withhold the protected information contained in the current Petition from public inspection. If the information that has been granted protection becomes publicly available or no longer warrants confidential treatment, you are required by 807 KAR 5:001, Section 7(9)(a), to inform the Commission so that the information may be placed in the public record.

Sincerely,

Executive Director

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