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Executive Director
Public Service Commission
211 Sower Blvd.
P. O. Box 615
Frankfort, KY 40601

Re: In the Matter of An Inquiry into the State Universal Service Fund, Case No. 2016-00059 – Highland Telephone Cooperative, Inc.

Dear Executive Director:

We are legal counsel to Highland Telephone Cooperative, Inc. (“Highland Telephone”). Pursuant to the Commission’s July 22, 2021 Order in Case No. 2016-00059 (the “Order”), Highland Telephone, through counsel, hereby files its letter detailing the information requested by the Commission in the Order.

Highland Telephone offers four broadband only service plans, all with no data caps, to Kentucky customers under the Federal Communications Commission’s Emergency Broadband Benefit (“EBB”) Program. Highland Telephone’s EBB service plans and the cost of the service plans that are eligible for the EBB Program are as follows:

HIGHLAND TELEPHONE EBB ELIGIBLE SERVICE PLAN OFFERINGS				
Data Speeds (download/upload)	15 Mbps/ 1 Mbps	35 Mbps/ 3 Mbps	50 Mbps/ 50 Mbps	1 Gbps/ 100 Mbps
Monthly Cost of Service Plan	\$49.95	\$69.95	\$105.00	\$109.95
Monthly Modem Rental Fee (Optional)	\$3.25	\$3.95	\$3.95	\$3.95
Total Monthly Cost	\$53.20	\$73.90	\$108.95	\$113.90

Because Highland Telephone does not provide bundled voice and broadband service plans to Lifeline customers eligible for the EBB Program, no reimbursement from the KUSF will be sought for Highland Telephone's EBB eligible service offerings. Consistent with the Order, the Lifeline and EBB credits will be applied by Highland Telephone in the following manner:

HIGHLAND TELEPHONE'S APPLICATION OF ELIGIBLE CREDITS				
Service Plan	15 Mbps/ 1 Mbps	35 Mbps/ 3 Mbps	50 Mbps/ 50 Mbps	1 Gbps/ 100 Mbps
Total Monthly Cost	\$53.20	\$73.90	\$108.95	\$113.90
Monthly FCC Lifeline Discount	N/A	(\$9.25)	(\$9.25)	(\$9.25)
Monthly EBB Reimbursement	(\$50.00)	(\$50.00)	(\$50.00)	(\$50.00)
Net Charge to Lifeline Customer	\$3.20	\$14.65	\$49.70	\$54.65

Highland Telephone appreciates the Commission's continued efforts to monitor and ensure the financial stability of the KUSF in this proceeding.

Sincerely,

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Certification

I hereby certify that a copy of this Letter has been served electronically on all parties of record through the use of the Commission's electronic filing system, and there are currently no parties that the Commission has excused from participation by electronic means. Pursuant to the Commission's July 22, 2021 Order in Case No. 2020-00085, a paper copy of this filing has not been transmitted to the Commission.

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Cooperative, Inc.*