

**COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY  
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

In the matter of:

AN INQUIRY INTO THE STATE	)	CASE NO.
UNIVERSAL SERVICE FUND	)	2016-00059

**EAST KENTUCKY NETWORK, LLC D/B/A APPALACHIAN WIRELESS'S  
RESPONSES TO COMMISSION STAFF'S FIRST REQUEST FOR INFORMATION  
TO APPALACHIAN WIRELESS**

East Kentucky Network, LLC d/b/a Appalachian Wireless (“Appalachian Wireless”) hereby submits its response to the information request of the Public Service Commission Staff, dated April 6, 2016. W.A. Gillum is the witness responsible for responding to any questions related to the information provided.

1. Refer to the Testimony of W.A. Gillum (“Gillum Testimony”), page 4, lines 53-55, which state, “... Appalachian Wireless believes that program caps should be considered in lieu of increasing the surcharge, and distributions should be made proportionately based on availability of funds.” Provide specifics and examples regarding these two recommendations.

**RESPONSE: In order to maintain solvency, a monthly cap could be placed on disbursements at a level that can be fully supported by the surcharge expected to be collected. If requests for reimbursement from all carriers in a given month exceed the monthly cap, then a carrier would only be able to collect its proportionate share of the available funds, to be determined for each carrier by taking the amount of reimbursement requested by that carrier divided by the total amount of reimbursement requested by all carriers, to determine the percentage of available funds said carrier will be entitled to receive.**

Respectfully submitted on April 27, 2016.

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**CERTIFICATION**

STATE OF KENTUCKY

COUNTY OF FLOYD

W.A. Gillum, being duly sworn, states that he has supervised the preparation of *East Kentucky Network, LLC d/b/a Appalachian Wireless's Responses to Commission Staff's First Request for Information to Appalachian Wireless* in the above-referenced matter, and that the matters and things set forth therein are true and accurate to the best of his knowledge, information and belief, formed after reasonable inquiry.

*W A Gillum*  
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W.A. Gillum

Subscribed and sworn to before me on this 20<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2016.



*Raina L. Helton*  
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Notary Public  
My Commission Expires: Feb 6, 2020

**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

This is to certify that the foregoing electronic filing, *East Kentucky Network, LLC d/b/a Appalachian Wireless's Responses to Commission Staff's First Request for Information to Appalachian Wireless*, is a true and accurate copy of the document being filed in paper medium; that the electronic filing was transmitted to the Commission on April 27, 2016; that there are currently no parties that the Commission has excused from participation by electronic means in this proceeding; and that a copy of the filing in paper medium is being mailed to the Commission via U.S. mail on this 27<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2016.

  
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