

February 25, 2016

Kentucky Public Service Commission 211 Sower Blvd. P.O. Box 615 Frankfort, KY 40602

RE: Request to withdraw as a party from Case No. 2016-00059 – CMN-RUS, Inc. (CMN")

CMN-RUS, Inc. ("CMN") respectfully requests to withdraw as a party from Case No. 20016-00059 for the following reasons:

- 1. While CMN has the authority to operate as a Competitive Local Exchange Carrier in Kentucky, CMN does not currently operate in Kentucky.
- 2. Once CMN begins to operate in Kentucky, it will pass the cost of the Kentucky Universal Service Fund ("KUSF") surcharge onto its customers.
- 3. CMN will not be an Eligible Telecommunications Carrier ("ETC") in Kentucky and it will not receive federal or state Universal Service Fund support.

As CMN believes these reasons are accurate and appropriate, we respectfully submit to the Commission our request to withdraw as a party from these proceedings.

Please contact us if the Commission requires additional information to consider and grant this request.

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