

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY  
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

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

MOTION TO WITHDRAW

The Kentucky Communications Network Authority (“KCNA”), by counsel, hereby moves the Commission to withdraw from participation in the foregoing Administrative case. As grounds, KCNA states as follows:

KCNA is a competitive local exchange carrier (“CLEC”) established by Executive Order No. 2015-574 (August 17, 2015) to oversee the construction, operation and maintenance of the statewide broadband fiber optic network commonly known as the KentuckyWired network. KentuckyWired is a middle-mile network which will provide high-speed broadband for state government sites in all of the Commonwealth’s 120 counties.

In its February 1, 2016 order establishing Administrative Case No. 2016-00059, the Commission has undertaken a review of the funding for the Kentucky Universal Service Fund (“KUSF”). As noted by the Commission, “[t]he KUSF is funded by a per-access line surcharge collected from all wireless carriers and LECs.” Order, p. 3. The Commission recognized, however, that not all LECs or eligible telecommunications carriers have an interest in this proceeding because the carrier does not receive KUSF funding. Order, p. 6.

The KentuckyWired network is currently in the design and make ready phase for construction and KCNA has not begun to provide broadband services at this time. Further, as the government agency overseeing a middle mile fiber optic network, KCNA will not collect the KUSF surcharge from any government entity that will use its network. Finally, KCNA does not receive KUSF funding. Therefore, KCNA respectfully requests this Commission to allow it to withdraw from this Administrative case.

Respectfully submitted,

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