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

Big River Telephone Company, LLC ("BRTC") moves to withdraw from the abovereferenced case. In support of its motion, BRTC states:

- 1. BRTC is a nominal party identified by the Commission's February 1, 2016 Order establishing this inquiry into Kentucky's Universal Service Fund ("KUSF").
- 2. At page six of the Order, the Commission stated it would allow each carrier that is not an ETC in Kentucky an opportunity to withdraw from the case. BRTC is not an ETC in Kentucky and does not receive Universal Service support.
- 3. BRTC will monitor any compliance items affected by the proceeding but hereby requests to be dismissed as a party.
- 4. Withdrawal is appropriate for BRTC because the funding and administration of the KUSF does not materially impact its Kentucky operations as long as the funding mechanism remains uniform among providers of voice services.

For the above stated reasons, BRTC respectively requests that the Commission grant it permission to withdraw from further participation in this proceeding.

Respectfully submitted

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE AND ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF ELECTRONIC FILING PROCEDURES

In accordance with 807 KAR 5:001, Section 8, I certify that the February 26, 2016 electronic filing of this Motion is a true and accurate copy of the same document being filed in paper medium; that the electronic filing was transmitted to the Commission on February 26, 2016; that there are currently no parties that the Commission has excused from participation by electronic means in this proceeding; and that an original paper medium of this Motion will be mailed to the Commission by first class United States mail, postage prepaid, on February 26, 2016.

I further certify that I am the authorized agent for the entity filing this Motion and possess the facilities to receive electronic transmissions.

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