COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

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

MOTION TO WITHDRAW

The Electric and Water Plant Board of the City of Frankfort, KY ("Frankfort Plant Board" or "FPB"), by and through counsel, moves to withdraw from this matter. On or about February 1, 2016, the Kentucky Public Service Commission ("Commission") initiated this proceeding to investigate the solvency of the Kentucky Universal Service Fund ("KUSF") and made all local exchange carriers a party to this action. Order at 1. However, the Commission also provided an opportunity for certain carriers to withdraw. It noted "carriers that pass the cost of the surcharge onto their customers and do not participate in the Lifeline program or ETCs that do not receive KUSF support, may not want to participate in this proceeding." <u>Id.</u> at 6. FPB is an ETC that does not receive KUSF support. Therefore, it respectfully requests that it be permitted to withdraw.

While FPB receives federal USF support, it does not receive KUSF support. FPB treats the KUSF charge as a "pass-through" and passes the KUSF charge through to its phone customers on their bills. FPB then remits these amounts to the Finance Cabinet as described in the Order. <u>Id.</u> at 4. As such, any changes to the surcharge will not have a significant impact on FPB's phone operations. Therefore, FPB has concluded that it does not have an interest in this matter and moves to withdraw.

WHEREFORE, for the foregoing, reasons, FPB respectfully requests that it be permitted to withdraw from this matter.

Respectfully submitted this the 29^{12} day of February, 2016.

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