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May 13, 2020

Mr. Kent Chandler, Executive Director Kentucky Public Service Commission P.O. Box 615 211 Sower Boulevard Frankfort, Kentucky 40602-0615

RE:

Case No. 2020-00155

Application of Ballard Rural Telephone Cooperative Corporation, Inc. for a Certificate of Convenience and Necessity for Construction of Gigabit Passive Optical and Fiber to the Premises Network

Dear Mr. Chandler,

Ballard Rural Telephone Cooperative Corporation, Inc. (BTC) was successful in its application with the United States Department of Agriculture's ReConnect Program for a grant of \$2,409,351 to construct a gigabit passive optical and fiber to the premise network. Pursuant to KRS 278.020 and 807 KAR 5:001, BTC requests authority to construct these new facilities in its CLEC area. Enclosed is BTC's verified Application for construction of new facilities in BTC's CLEC area adjacent to the Cooperative's existing territory in McCracken County Kentucky and this application is a true representation of BTC's request for a Certificate of Convenience and Necessity.

Please advise me at your earliest convenience should you have any questions or require any further information.

Sincerely,

Randy C. Grogan

CEO/General Manager

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Ballard Rural Telephone Cooperative Corporation, Inc.

**Enclosures**