### COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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| COMPANY TO AMEND ITS DESIGNATION          | ) |            |
| AS AN ELIGIBLE TELECOMMUNICATIONS         | ) | 2021-00392 |
| CARRIER TO RECEIVE KENTUCKY UNIVERSAL     | ) |            |
| SERVICE FUND SUPPORT FOR LIFELINE SERVICE | ) |            |

# AMERICAN BROADBAND AND TELECOMMUNICATIONS COMPANY'S RESPONSE TO COMMISSION STAFF'S FIRST REQUEST FOR INFORMATION

American Broadband and Telecommunications Company ("American Broadband"), hereby files its response to Commission Staff's First Request for Information to American Broadband and Telecommunications Company, issued in the above-captioned case on October 20, 2021.

# COMMISSION STAFF'S FIRST INFORMATION REQUEST DATED OCTOBER 20, 2021

### **REQUEST 1**

**Responsible Person:** Jeffrey Ansted

### Request 1

Provide the number of Lifeline subscribers that American Broadband estimates that it will serve if the Commission finds that American Broadband is eligible to receive Kentucky Universal Service Fund (USF) support for Lifeline service.

### Response 1

American Broadband expects that enhancement of its Lifeline program in Kentucky with receipt of Kentucky Universal Service Fund (KUSF) support will enable it to serve approximately 25,000 low-income Kentucky households.

# COMMISSION STAFF'S FIRST INFORMATION REQUEST DATED OCTOBER 20, 2021

#### **REQUEST 2**

Responsible Person: Jeffrey Ansted

### Request 2

Confirm that American Broadband will collect or otherwise contribute to the Kentucky USF perline surcharge, currently \$0.15 per line per month, to the Kentucky USF for each American Broadband Kentucky customer, both Lifeline and non-Lifeline, and also provide the number of customers currently served.

### Response 2

American Broadband confirms that it will collect or otherwise contribute the Kentucky USF per-line surcharge for each American Broadband Kentucky customer. As of September 30, 2021, American Broadband serves a total of 1,704 customers in Kentucky.

# COMMISSION STAFF'S FIRST INFORMATION REQUEST DATED OCTOBER 20, 2021

#### **REQUEST 3**

Responsible Person: Jeffrey Ansted

## Request 3

Confirm that American Broadband will collect or otherwise contribute to the Kentucky Telecommunications Relay Service/Telecommunications Access Program surcharge, currently \$0.03 per line per month, to the Kentucky Telecommunications Relay Service/Telecommunications Access Program Fund for each American Broadband Kentucky customer, both Lifeline and non-Lifeline, and also provide the number of customers currently served.

### Response 3

American Broadband confirms that it will collect or otherwise contribute to the Kentucky Telecommunications Relay Service/Telecommunications Access Program surcharge for each American Broadband customer.

As noted in the response to Request 2, as of September 30, 2021, American Broadband serves a total of 1,704 customers in Kentucky.

# COMMISSION STAFF'S FIRST INFORMATION REQUEST DATED OCTOBER 20, 2021

#### **REQUEST 4**

Responsible Person: Jeffrey Ansted

## Request 4

Confirm that American Broadband will collect or otherwise contribute to the appropriate 911 emergency service authority in its service area.

### Response 4

American Broadband will contribute to the appropriate 911 emergency service authority in accordance with current Kentucky law, specifically KRS 65.7634, governing support for funding of 911 services.

# COMMISSION STAFF'S FIRST INFORMATION REQUEST DATED OCTOBER 20, 2021

### **REQUEST 5**

**Responsible Person:** Jeffrey Ansted

## Request 5

Confirm that American Broadband will comply with the annual assessment and gross earnings report requirements pursuant to KRS 278.130–150.

## Response 5

American Broadband will comply with the annual assessment and gross earnings report requirements pursuant to KRS 278.130-150.

## COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

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### CERTIFICATE

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Jeffrey Ansted, being duly sworn, states that he has supervised the preparation of the responses of American Broadband and Telecommunications Company to the Public Service Commission Staff's First Information in the above-referenced case, dated October 20, 2021, and that the matters and things set forth therein are true and accurate to the best of his knowledge, information and belief, formed after reasonable inquiry.

ore me on this <u>08</u> day of November, 2021.

My Commission Expires:

Christopher L Stevens W ZW Notary Public

My Commission expires:

March 1, 2025

### Respectfully submitted,

### AMERICAN BROADBAND AND TELECOMMUNICATIONS COMPANY

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