

**COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY  
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

**In the Matter of:**

<b>ELECTRONIC INVESTIGATION</b>	)	
<b>OF POLE ATTACHMENTS</b>	)	<b>CASE NO.</b>
	)	<b>2023-00416</b>
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**RURAL LOCAL EXCHANGE CARRIERS’  
MOTION FOR CLARIFICATION**

Ballard Rural Telephone Cooperative Corporation; Brandenburg Telephone Company Inc.; Duo County Telephone Cooperative Corporation, Inc.; Foothills Rural Telephone Cooperative Corporation, Inc.; Gearheart Communications Company, Inc.; Highland Telephone Cooperative, Inc.; Logan Telephone Cooperative, Inc. dba LTC Connect; Mountain Rural Telephone Cooperative Corporation; North Central Telephone Cooperative, Inc.; Peoples Rural Telephone Cooperative Corporation, Inc.; South Central Rural Telecommunications Cooperative, Inc.; Thacker-Grigsby Telephone Company, Incorporated; and West Kentucky Rural Telephone Cooperative Corporation, Inc. (collectively, the “RLECs”), by counsel, hereby respectfully move the Kentucky Public Service Commission (the “Commission”) to clarify that the RLECs are exempt from the requirements of the first ordering paragraph of the May 27, 2025 order regarding quarterly pole attachment updates (the “Order”).

In the Order the Commission found that pole owners and stakeholders should be required to submit quarterly updates to the “backlog” of pending pole attachment applications.<sup>1</sup> Accordingly, in the first ordering paragraph pole owners and stakeholders are required to submit

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<sup>1</sup> *In the Matter of Electronic Investigation Into Pole Attachments*, Case No. 2023-00416, Order, p.

quarterly reports on the “backlog” commencing on June 15, 2025.<sup>2</sup> Unlike the second ordering paragraph, however, the Commission did not exclude the RLECs from this requirement.

The “backlog” discussed throughout these proceedings concerns the Kentucky Broadband and Cable Association (“KBCA”) and the electric utilities. The RLECs do not have a backlog of pole attachment requests, they have not been party to the numerous discussions regarding the “backlog,” and they have not been required to submit periodic updates to the Commission. Moreover, the second ordering paragraph which requires pole owners and stakeholders to file quarterly reports with additional information regarding pole attachments does exclude the RLECs.

Given the RLECs are not party to the “backlog,” the status of which is the subject of the first ordering paragraph, the RLECs respectfully request the Commission to clarify that the RLECs are exempt from the requirements of the first ordering paragraph of the Order.

Respectfully submitted,

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<sup>2</sup> *Id.*

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