

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

ELECTRONIC INVESTIGATION OF POLE) CASE NO.
ATTACHMENTS) 2023-00416

RESPONSE TO COMMISSION'S DECEMBER 14, 2023 ORDER

Pursuant to Commission Order released December 14th, 2023, in the above referenced case (the "Order"), Ballard Rural Telephone Cooperative Corporation, Inc. ("Ballard") states that, due to the fact that its system is composed entirely of buried cable, it has not had any substantive dealings with pole attachers and is not aware of any topic that needs to be discussed at the scheduled January 5th, 2024 informal conference. Ballard respectfully suggests that because it is not a "pole-owning utility," it should not be a mandatory participant in this proceeding.¹

Respectfully submitted,

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¹ Consistent with 807 KAR 5:001(8), the undersigned possesses the facilities to send and receive electronic transmissions in connection with this proceeding.

Certification

I hereby certify that a copy of this Response to Commission's December 14, 2023 Order has been served electronically on all parties of record through the use of the Commission's electronic filing system, and there are currently no parties that the Commission has excused from participation by electronic means. Pursuant to the Commission's July 22, 2021 Order in Case No. 2020-00085, a paper copy of this filing has not been transmitted to the Commission.

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