COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the matter of:

ELECTRONIC APPLICATION OF EAST KENTUCKY)
NETWORK, LLC D/B/A APPALACHIAN WIRELESS FOR)
THE ISSUANCE OF A CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC) CASE NO. 2024-00089
CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY TO CONSTRUCT A)
TOWER IN MORGAN COUNTY, KENTUCKY)

RESPONSE OF EAST KENTUCKY NETWORK, LLC D/B/A APPALACHIAN WIRELESS TO COMMISSION STAFF'S FIRST REQUEST FOR INFORMATION

East Kentucky Network, LLC d/b/a Appalachian Wireless ("Applicant"), by and through counsel, hereby files this Response to Commission Staff's First Request for Information filed in the above-styled case.

1. Request 1: Refer to KRS 278.665(2) and 807 KAR 5:063, Section 1(1)(1)(1). Provide all updated information pertaining to the status of a signed U.S. Postal Service Form 3811, otherwise known as "signed green cards," or a copy of the notice reflecting that the certified mail was returned to Appalachian Wireless for all landowners and the county judge executive. This request is continuing and should be updated in a supplemental filing until all signed green cards or undelivered notices are returned to Appalachian Wireless.

Response: Raina L. Helton, Regulatory Compliance Director, offers the following response on behalf of Applicant. Exhibit 1, attached hereto, includes

- a. the "signed green cards" for five (5) of the seven (7) notices which were sent to adjacent property owners and the county judge executive by certified mail on April 11, 2024; and
- b. copies of the notice that the certified mail was returned to Applicant as undelivered or refused by the United States Postal Service for two (2) of the seven (7) notices.

2. Request 2: Refer to 807 KAR 5:063, Section 1(2). Provide a copy of the language printed on the notices placed at both the proposed site and on the nearest public road. **Response:** Raina L. Helton, Regulatory Compliance Director, offers the following response on behalf of Applicant. As stated in the Response of East Kentucky Network, LLC d/b/a Appalachian Wireless to Filing Deficiencies filed on April 16, 2024, 807 KAR 5:063, Section 1(2) does not require a copy of the language on the signs required by the regulations. Section 1(2) lists the size requirements and the language which must appear on the notices which are required by Section 1(1)(p). Subsection (1)(p) requires that the Application contain a statement that two written notices meeting the requirements of subsection (2) have been posted, one in a visible location on the proposed site and one on the nearest public road and that the notices shall remain posted for at least two weeks after the application has been filed. The required statement can be found on page 3 of the Application. However, Exhibit 2, attached hereto, contains photographs of both notices which demonstrate the veracity of Applicant's statement in the Application.

3. Request 3: Refer to 807 KAR 5:063, Section 1(1)(g). Provide a copy of the qualifications for professional engineer Kirk Hall.

Response: Raina L. Helton, Regulatory Compliance Director, offers the following response on behalf of Applicant. As stated on page 2 of the Application and in the Response of East Kentucky Network, LLC d/b/a Appalachian Wireless to Filing Deficiencies filed on April 16, 2024, the person responsible for the design and supervision of the construction of the proposed tower is identified and qualifications shown by the seal and signature affixed to the tower design included in Exhibit 5 of the Application. Additional information regarding World Tower Company, Inc.'s and,

specifically, Kirk Hall's qualifications for designing and constructing towers are included in Exhibit 13 to the Application.

4. Exhibit 3, attached hereto, is a signed certification of the person supervising the preparation of this Response.

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WHEREFORE, Applicant, having met the requirements of KRS 278.020(1), 278.650, 278.665, and all applicable rules and regulations of the PSC, respectfully requests that the PSC accept the foregoing Application for filing and grant a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to construct and operate the proposed tower.

The foregoing document was prepared by Krystal Branham, Regulatory Compliance Attorney for East Kentucky Network, LLC d/b/a Appalachian Wireless. All related questions or correspondence concerning this filing should be mailed to East Kentucky Network, LLC d/b/a/Appalachian Wireless, 101 Technology Trail, Ivel, KY 41642.

Dated this 25th day of July, 2024.

Respectfully submitted,

Krystal Branham, Regulatory Compliance Attorney

East Kentucky Network, LLC

d/b/a Appalachian Wireless

101 Technology Trail

Ivel, KY 41642

Telephone: (606) 477-2355 Facsimile: (606) 339-1363

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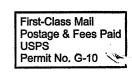
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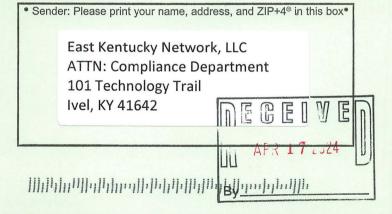
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AFFIDAVIT OF CERTIFICATION

I, Raina L. Helton, Regulatory Compliance Director for East Kentucky Network, LLC d/b/a Appalachian Wireless, do hereby certify, under penalty of perjury, that as the person responsible for supervising the preparation of this response all statements and information contained herein are true and accurate to the best of my knowledge, information, and belief formed after a reasonable inquiry.

> Raina L. Helton, Regulatory Compliance Director East Kentucky Network, LLC d/b/a Appalachian Wireless

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The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me on this 25^{TH} day of , 2024, by Raina L. Helton, Regulatory Compliance Director of East Kentucky Network, LLC d/b/a Appalachian Wireless.

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