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Hon. John Selent
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1400 PNC Plaza
500 West Jefferson Street
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Re: **Confidentiality Request dated July 6, 2009 -**
Supplemental Prefiled Direct Testimony of Douglas Duncan Meredith
PSC Case No. 2007-00004

Dear Mr. Selent:

The Public Service Commission has received the Confidentiality Petition you filed on July 6, 2009 on behalf of Brandenburg Telephone Company, et al. to protect certain information filed with the Commission as confidential under Section 7 of 807 KAR 5:001 and KRS 61.878. The information is identified as pertaining to supplemental prefiled testimony of Douglas Duncan Meredith regarding the cost study which Windstream Kentucky East, LLC ("Windstream") submitted to the Commission on March 20, 2009. Windstream has also moved to have portions of that cost study deemed confidential by the Commission. The Commission's decision on Windstream's motion was issued on July 24, 2009.

The Commission has reviewed the information and has made the following determinations regarding confidential protection:

Page 5, Lines 9, 10 and n. 3 Grant.

Page 5, Line 15 **Denied.** Public knowledge of this information would not qualify as permitting an unfair commercial advantage to competitors if disclosed. KRS 61.878(c)(2).

Page 6	Grant.
Page 7, Lines 1-10	Grant.
Page 7, Lines 12-23	Denied. Public knowledge of this information would not qualify as permitting an unfair commercial advantage to competitors if disclosed. KRS 61.878(c)(2).
Page 8, Line 22	Denied. Public knowledge of this information would not qualify as permitting an unfair commercial advantage to competitors if disclosed. KRS 61.878(c)(2).
Page 8, Line 26	Grant.
Page 9, Line 1	Denied. Public knowledge of this information would not qualify as permitting an unfair commercial advantage to competitors if disclosed. KRS 61.878(c)(2).
Page 9, Line 3	Grant.
Page 9, Line 23	Denied. Public knowledge of this information would not qualify as permitting an unfair commercial advantage to competitors if disclosed. KRS 61.878(c)(2).
Page 9, n.10	Grant.
Page 12, Line 2	Grant.
Exhibits, Pages 1-3	Grant.

Based on a review of the information and pursuant to KRS 61.878 and 807 KAR 5:001, Section 7, the Commission has determined that the information sought to be kept confidential for Brandenburg, et al. shall be **GRANTED, in part**, and **DENIED, in part**.

As for the information that has been **DENIED** protection, it does not meet the criteria for confidential protection as set out in the statutory authority listed above. The information denied confidential treatment will be withheld from public inspection for 20 days from the date of this letter in accordance with 807 KAR 5:001. If you disagree with the Commission's decision, you may seek a rehearing with the Commission within 20 days of the date of this letter under the provisions of KRS 278.400.

As for the information that has been **GRANTED** protection, the Commission will withhold the protected information contained in the current Petition from public inspection. If the information that has been granted protection becomes publicly available or no longer warrants confidential treatment, you are required by 807 KAR 5:001, Section 7(9)(a), to inform the Commission so that the information may be placed in the public record.

Sincerely,



Jeff Derouen
Executive Director

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cc: Parties of Record for Case No. 2007-00004