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Re: **Confidentiality Request dated June 17, 2010-**
Windstream Updated Responses and Attachments
PSC Case No. 2009-00246

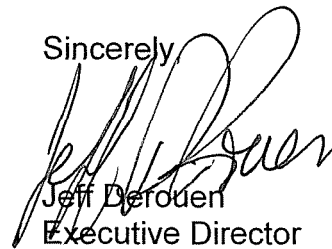
Mr. Moore:

The Public Service Commission has received the Confidentiality Petition you filed on May 27, 2010 on behalf of Windstream Kentucky East, LLC ("Windstream"). Windstream seeks to protect **Updated Responses 9, 15, 16, 19, 24, 31, 34, 37, 41, 46, 47, 49, 52, 53, 60, 64, 99, 100 and 108 and Attachments A to E** as confidential under Section 7 of 807 KAR 5:001 and KRS 61.878, *et seq.* Windstream alleges that Responses and the Attachments contain confidential and proprietary information that would aid competitors of Windstream, as well as the vendor named in the Attachments, if this information were made public. Windstream states that this information could be used to disadvantage Windstream and create significant and irreparable harm to the company.

The Commission has carefully analyzed the information contained within the named Updated Responses and the Attachments and has determined that the information contained therein, if disclosed, would cause competitive injury. For these reasons, the Commission finds that this information satisfies the standard for protection under KRS 61.878(1)(c)(1) and 807 KAR 5:001, Section 7, and, therefore, those portions of the request for confidentiality are **GRANTED**.

As this 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,



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