COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

ELECTRONIC APPLICATION OF AMERICAN BROADBAND AND TELECOMMUNICATIONS COMPANY FOR TO AMEND ITS DESIGNATION AS AN ELIGIBLE TELECOMMUNICATIONS CARRIER TO RECEIVE KENTUCKY UNIVERSAL SERVICE FUND SUPPORT FOR LIFELINE SERVICE

CASE NO. 2021-00392

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COMMISSION STAFF'S FIRST REQUEST FOR INFORMATION TO AMERICAN BROADBAND AND TELECOMMUNICATIONS COMPANY

American Broadband and Telecommunications Company (American Broadband), pursuant to 807 KAR 5:001, is to file with the Commission an electronic version of the following information. The information requested is due on or before November 12, 2021. The Commission directs American Broadband to the Commission's July 22, 2021 Order in Case No. 2020-00085¹ regarding filings with the Commission. Electronic documents shall be in portable document format (PDF), shall be searchable, and shall be appropriately bookmarked.

Each response shall include the name of the witness responsible for responding to the questions related to the information provided. Each response shall be answered under oath or, for representatives of a public or private corporation or a partnership or association or a governmental agency, be accompanied by a signed certification of the

¹ Case No. 2020-00085, *Electronic Emergency Docket Related to the Novel Coronavirus COVID-19* (Ky. PSC July 22, 2021), Order (in which the Commission ordered that for case filings made on and after March 16, 2020, filers are NOT required to file the original physical copies of the filings required by 807 KAR 5:001, Section 8).

preparer or the person supervising the preparation of the response on behalf of the entity that the response is true and accurate to the best of that person's knowledge, information, and belief formed after a reasonable inquiry.

American Broadband shall make timely amendment to any prior response if American Broadband obtains information that indicates the response was incorrect when made or, though correct when made, is now incorrect in any material respect. For any request to which American Broadband fails or refuses to furnish all or part of the requested information, American Broadband shall provide a written explanation of the specific grounds for its failure to completely and precisely respond.

Careful attention shall be given to copied material to ensure that it is legible. When the requested information has been previously provided in this proceeding in the requested format, reference may be made to the specific location of that information in responding to this request. When applicable, the requested information shall be separately provided for total company operations and jurisdictional operations. When filing a paper containing personal information, American Broadband shall, in accordance with 807 KAR 5:001, Section 4(10), encrypt or redact the paper so that personal information cannot be read.

1. Provide the number of Lifeline subscribers that American Broadband estimates that it will serve if the Commission finds that American Broadband is eligible to receive Kentucky Universal Service Fund (USF) support for Lifeline service.

2. Confirm that American Broadband will collect or otherwise contribute to the Kentucky USF per-line surcharge, currently \$0.15 per line per month, to the Kentucky

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USF for each American Broadband Kentucky customer, both Lifeline and non-Lifeline, and also provide the number of customers currently served.

3. Confirm that American Broadband will collect or otherwise contribute to the Kentucky Telecommunications Relay Service/Telecommunications Access Program surcharge, currently \$0.03 per line per month, to the Kentucky Telecommunications Relay Service/Telecommunications Access Program Fund for each American Broadband Kentucky customer, both Lifeline and non-Lifeline, and also provide the number of customers currently served.

4. Confirm that American Broadband will collect or otherwise contribute to the appropriate 911 emergency service authority in its service area.

5. Confirm that American Broadband will comply with the annual assessment and gross earnings report requirements pursuant to KRS 278.130–150.

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