## COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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ELECTRONIC INVESTIGATION OF THE	)	CASE NO.
PROPOSED POLE ATTACHMENT TARIFFS	)	2022-00107
OF RURAL LOCAL EXCHANGE CARRIERS	)	

## COMMISSION STAFF'S THIRD REQUEST FOR INFORMATION TO RURAL LOCAL EXCHANGE CARRIERS

Ballard Rural Telephone Cooperative Corporation, Inc.; Brandenburg Telephone Company, Inc. (Brandenburg Telephone); Duo County Telephone Cooperative Corporation, Inc. (Duo County); Foothills Rural Telephone Cooperative Corporation, Inc. (Foothills Telephone); Gearheart Communications Company, Inc. (Gearheart Communications); Highland Telephone Cooperative, Inc. (Highland Telephone); Logan Telephone Cooperative, Inc. dba LTC Connect (Logan Telephone); Mountain Rural Telephone Cooperative Corporation (Mountain Telephone); North Central Telephone Cooperative, Inc. (North Central Telephone); Peoples Rural Telephone Cooperative Corporation, Inc. (Peoples Telephone); South Central Rural Telecommunications Cooperative, Inc. (South Central Telephone); and Thacker Grigsby Telephone Company, Incorporated (Thacker-Grigsby Telephone) (collectively, the RLECs), 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 July 7, 2022. The Commission directs

the RLECs to the Commission's July 22, 2021 Order in Case No. 2020-00085<sup>1</sup> 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 question to which the response is made and 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 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.

The RLECs shall make timely amendment to any prior response if the RLECs obtain 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 the RLECs fail or refuse to furnish all or part of the requested information, the RLECs 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

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> 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).

separately provided for total company operations and jurisdictional operations. When filing a paper containing personal information, the RLECs shall, in accordance with 807 KAR 5:001, Section 4(10), encrypt or redact the paper so that personal information cannot be read.

- 1. For all the RLECs that require prepayment of survey fees, explain whether it would refund the difference if the actual cost of the survey were less than the Attachment Customer's prepayment. If so, identify the section of the tariff stating that. If not, explain why not.
- 2. For Brandenburg Telephone only: Refer to Brandenburg Telephone's response to Commission Staff's Second Request for Information (Staff's Second Request), Item 5.
  - a. Provide support for the 86 percent overhead cost.
- b. Brandenburg's calculation seems to be based off a request to survey a single pole. Explain whether it is typical for an attachment application to only include one pole. If not, provide the number of poles typically included in an application and revise the estimated per pole survey calculation accordingly.
- 3. For Duo County only: Refer to Duo County's response to Commission Staff's First Request for Information (Staff's First Request), Item 3. Duo County's calculation seems to be based off a request to survey a single pole. Explain whether it is typical for an attachment application to only include one pole. If not, provide the number of poles typically included in an application and revise the estimated per pole survey calculation accordingly.

- 4. For Duo County only: Refer to Duo County's tariff, PSC KY No. 2A, Original Page 18-28. Explain whether the Attachment Customer will be refunded any difference if the actual costs of the survey work is less than the Attachment Customer's prepayment.
- 5. For Foothills Telephone only: Refer to Foothills Telephone's response to Staff's Second Request, Item 7.
- a. Provide the actual per pole survey costs Foothills Telephone has incurred in relation to the Kentucky Wired Network, including any supporting documentation.
- b. Provide the invoices that were used to develop the uniform per pole survey estimate for the Kentucky Wired Network.
- 6. For Gearheart Communications only: Refer to Gearheart Communication's response to Staff's Second Request, Item 8.
- a. Provide the actual per pole survey costs Gearheart Communications has incurred in relation to the Kentucky Wired Network, including any supporting documentation.
- b. Provide the invoices that were used to develop the uniform per pole survey estimate for the Kentucky Wired Network.
- 7. For Highland Telephone only: Refer to Highland Telephone's response to Staff's First Request, Item 3(a). Highland Telephone's calculation seems to be based off a request to survey a single pole. Explain whether it is typical for an attachment application to only include one pole. If not, provide the number of poles typically included in an application and revise the estimated per pole survey calculation accordingly.

- 8. For Highland Telephone only: Refer to Highland Telephone's response to Staff's Second Request, Item 9(a). Provide a breakdown of the hourly rate by hour wage and overhead, including support for how the overhead was calculated.
- 9. For Mountain Telephone only: Refer to Mountain Telephone's response to Staff's Second Request, Item 11.
- a. Provide the actual per pole survey costs Mountain Telephone has incurred in relation to the Kentucky Wired Network, including any supporting documentation.
- b. Provide the invoices that were used to develop the uniform per pole survey estimate for the Kentucky Wired Network.
- 10. For North Central Telephone only: Refer to North Central Telephone's response to Staff's First Request, Item 3. North Central Telephone's calculation seems to be based off a request to survey a single pole. Explain whether it is typical for an attachment application to only include one pole. If not, provide the number of poles typically included in an application and revise the estimated per pole survey calculation accordingly.
- 11. For North Central Telephone only: Refer to North Central Telephone's response to Staff's Second Request, Item 12. Provide support for the 87 percent overhead cost.
- 12. For Peoples Telephone only: Refer to Peoples Telephone's response to Staff's Second Request, Item 13.

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- a. Provide the actual per pole survey costs Peoples Telephone has incurred in relation to the Kentucky Wired Network, including any supporting documentation.
- b. Provide the invoices that were used to develop the uniform per pole survey estimate for the Kentucky Wired Network.
- 13. For South Central Telephone only: Refer to South Central Telephone's response to Staff's First Request, Item 3. South Central Telephone's calculation seems to be based off a request to survey a single pole. Explain whether it is typical for an attachment application to only include one pole. If not, provide the number of poles typically included in an application and revise the estimated per pole survey calculation accordingly.
- 14. For Thacker-Grigsby Telephone only: Refer to Thacker-Grigsby Telephone's response to Staff's Second Request, Item 15.
- a. Provide the actual per pole survey costs Thacker Grigsby Telephone has incurred in relation to the Kentucky Wired Network, including any supporting documentation.
- b. Provide the invoices that were used to develop the uniform per pole survey estimate for the Kentucky Wired Network.

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