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To Whom It May Concern:

Enclosed for filing is the Application of AEP Communications, L.L.C. to abandon its Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity. Included here are the original and 15 copies of the Application. I have enclosed an extra copy of the filing as well as a self-addressed, stamped envelope. May I ask that you please return a time-stamped copy of the filing to me.

Should you have any questions on the information offered, please do not hesitate to contact my office at 614.716.2037.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Cordially, WDD-

Sandra K. Williams Senior Counsel

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## BEFORE THE KENTUCKY PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Application of ) AEP Communications, LLC to Abandon ) its Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity.)

## APPLICATION OF AEP COMMUNICATIONS, LLC TO ABANDON ITS CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY

AEP Communications, LLC ("AEPC") hereby respectfully requests that the Commission grant its application to abandon its certificate of public convenience and necessity that allows it to provide competitive local exchange services and interexchange telecommunications services in the commonwealth of Kentucky. AEPC offers the following information in support of its application:

- On March 18, 1008, in Case No. 97-495, the Commission authorized AEPC to provide non-switched private network intrastate telecommunications services throughout the commonwealth of Kentucky. Later, on its own motion, the Commission reclassified AEPC as a competitive local exchange carrier.
- Due to changes in AEPC's business plans, the company no longer intends to provide either telecommunications services in Kentucky.

- 3) AEPC is not currently serving customers in Kentucky. Therefore, AEPC is not providing as a part of this application, a notice of termination to customers since there are no customers to notify of the company's action. Likewise, because the company has never provided local exchange services in Kentucky, it does not have interconnection agreements in place with incumbent local exchange companies ("ILEC"). Consequently, AEPC has not provided notice of its intention to abandon its certificate to any ILEC.
- 4) Similarly, because AEPC is not currently providing services in Kentucky, there are no Kentucky counties that will be impacted or affected by the company's decision to abandon its certificate.
- 5) AEPC is not aware of any outstanding taxes, fees or other amounts owed to this Commission or any other agency in Kentucky. AEPC is willing to make arrangements for the payment of any such amounts that may subsequently be discovered.
- 6) AEPC does not maintain any facilities or equipment in Kentucky and, therefore, granting this application to abandon will not result in the abandonment of facilities.

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7) Notices, orders and pleadings regarding this matter may be

directed to:

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WHEREFORE, AEPC respectfully requests that the Commission grant the instant application authorizing AEPC to abandon its certificate of public convenience and necessity that permits it to provide telecommunications services in Kentucky. Additionally, AEPC requests that the Commission cancel the company's approved intrastate tariff.

Respectfully submitted, AEP Communications, LLC

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