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State Corporation Commission of Kansas

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June 27, 2025

Celeste Chaney-Tucker Executive Director, Kansas Corporation Commission 1500 SW Arrowhead Rd. Topeka, KS 66604

RE: LR Communications, Inc.

Docket No. 25-GIMT-332-GIT

254(e) certifications

Dear Ms. Chaney-Tucker:

On behalf of LR Communications, Inc., attached please find for filing in Docket No. 25-GIMT-332-GIT the 254(e) certifications required by the Commission to be filed in this docket by June 30, 2025 (Attachments 1, 3a, 4, and 5).

In this filing, the entirety of Attachments 3a and 4 have been marked as confidential; this information is confidential commercial information and, as such, its disclosure to any person other than the company, the Commission, and Staff is prohibited by K.S.A. 66-1220a. The Commission has not issued a protective order in this docket.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Cordially yours,

Colleen R. Jamison

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Encl.

cc: John Tietjens Tina Cohan

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# THE STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF KANSAS

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In the Matter of Certification of Complian with Section 254(e) of the Federal	ce )				
Telecommunications Act of 1996 and		Docket No.	25-GIMT-332-GIT		
Certification of Appropriate Use of Kansa	s )				
Universal Service Fund Support.	)				

# SECTION 254(e) CERTIFICATION FEDERAL HIGH-COST UNIVERSAL SERVICE SUPPORT FCC Docket Reference: CC Docket No. 96-45 and KANSAS UNIVERSAL SERVICE FUND SUPPORT

(Please type or print legibly)

(Circle all Federal and Kansas Support Received)

- 1. My title is President and General Manager of LR Communications, Inc. dba Mutual Telecommunications. In this capacity, I am in a position of authority to direct how federal high-cost Universal Service Fund (USF), including Legacy or Frozen high-cost Loop support (HCL/FHCS), Safety Valve support (SVS), Connect America Cost Model (CACM) support, Connect America Fund (CAF I/CAF II) support, Alternative Connect America Cost Model (A-CAM/ACAM II) support, Enhanced Alternative Connect America Cost Model (Enhanced ACAM), Rural Broadband Experiment support (RBE), Rural Digital Opportunity Fund (RDOF) support, and/or Kansas Universal Service Fund (KUSF) support received will be used and by this certification I am binding LR Communications, Inc. dba Mutual Telecommunications to the statements made in this certification.
- 2. LR Communications, Inc. dba Mutual Telecommunications was named as an Eligible Telecommunications Carrier (ETC) by the Kansas Corporation Commission (KCC) for federal support purposes in Docket No. 13-LRCC-124-ETC by order dated January 2, 2013 and KUSF support purposes in Docket No. 13-LRCC-124-ETC by order dated January 2, 2013.

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3. By this affidavit, I certify that all federal high-cost USF, including HCL, FHCS, SVS, CAF I/CAF II, A-CAM/ACAM II, Enhanced ACAM, RBE, RDOF and/or KUSF received by LR Communications, Inc. dba Mutual Telecommunications was used in the proceeding calendar year 2024 and will be used in the new calendar year 2026 only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended, consistent with Section 254(e) of the Federal Telecommunications Act, and/or Kansas statutes and KCC requirements.

I certify under penalty of perjury under the laws of the state of Kansas that the foregoing is true and correct. (Pursuant to Kan. Stat. Ann. 53-601.)

John Tietjens

Printed/Typed Name

Executed on  $\frac{6/26}{2025}$  date.

Email address: jtietjens@mtc4me.com

#### Competitive ETC Investment and Expense Test for USF Certification

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Company Name: LR Communications, Inc. dba Mutual Telecommunications All CETCs must complete this form to receive certification for its use of FUSF support, pursuant to 47 C.F.R. § 54.314 and KCC Requirements. Please attach additional pages, if necessary. If you have any questions, please email the KCC Staff at steve.garrett@ks.gov and hemant.bhagat@ks.gov. Data 2024 Year **FUSF** AMOUNT FOR CODE AMOUNT ALL OCATION FOR KANSAS PERCENT (see Notes) **FUSF AREAS** (INCLUDE SWBT/AT&T Area if support is received for the Α С D=AxB FUSF WORKING LOOPS/LINEAverage No. Customers NEW INVESTMENTS: 1. SWITCHING 2.OUTSIDE PLANT (LOCAL LOOPS, CELL SITES)(1) SUBTOTAL NEW INVESTMENTS EXPENSES: 3. SWITCH MAINTENANCE 4. OUTSIDE PLANT MAINTENANCE 5. NETWORK SUPPORT 6. ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSE SUBTOTAL EXPENSES A. TOTAL CASH EXPENDITURES ASSD WITH USF B. CERTIFIED FUSF RECEIPTS FOR CETCS B1. Frozen High Cost Support B2. Mobility Fund Support B3. Rural Broadband Experiments Fund B4. CAF II Support B5. Rural Digital Opportunity Fund B5. Total Certified Federal USF Receipts C. DO EXPENDITURES EXCEED FUSF RECEIPTS? Nο (negative number means FUSF exceeds Expenditures) Notes: 1) Exclude the cost of transport between switches (dial-tone and/or tandem). 2) Allocation Codes (describe how the costs are allocated): [the following are examples only, not a complete list.] a. Based on number of switched MOUs from USF supported cell sites. b. Based on actual expenditures at USF cell sites. An allocation of USF area to total served area is applied at each cell site. (i.e. 200,000 investment at Cell Site A, which serves 80% USF supported area, results in 160,000 of USF dollars.) c. Based on percent of USF served areas to all areas. Contact Name: Stacey Brigham Title: Regulatory Director Phone No.: 719-266-4334 E-Mail: sbrigham@tcatel.com



#### **Narrative Report for New Investments**

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#### **Narrative Report for New Investments**

Company Name: LR Communications, Inc. dba Mutual Telecommunications

2024

Data Year:

Contact: Stacey Brigham

Title: Regulatory Director

ETC Certification for Use of **USF** Support Provided to the Kansas Corporation Commission

					Amount Used
					in the USF
		Cash	<b>Allocation</b>		Supported
Town or Exchange	Description of Improvement	Investment	%	Notes	Areas
Α	В	С	D	E	F= C x D
Subtotal					
Total					
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	This total amo	unt should m	natch the Ne	w Investr	nent
	Subtotal on th	e USF Certific	cation Form	- Attachn	nent 2a
	LINES (245 & 2	255). For CET	Cs, this amo	unt shoul	d match the

Phone No.: 719-266-4334

E-Mail: sbrigham@tcatel.com

# Annual ETC Certification of Requirements Imposed by the Commission in Docket Number 06-GIMT-446-GIT

1. Did your company experience any outage in the prior calendar year, as that term is defined in 47 C.F.R. § 4.5, of at least 30 minutes in duration for each service area in which an Eligible Telecommunications Carrier is designated for any facilities it owns, operates, leases, or otherwise utilizes that potentially affect: (i) at least 10% of the end users served in a designated service area; or (ii) a 911 specialty facility as defined in 47 C.F.R. § 4.5(e)?

(Yes/No)No	IF YES, I	PLEASE CO	<b>OMPLETE</b>	THE FOLLO	OWING:
Date and time of Onset of the Outage	Description of the Outage and its Resolution	Particular services affected	Geographic Areas Affected	Steps Taken to Prevent a Similar Situation in the Future	Number of Customers Affected
N/A					8

(If necessary, please provide additional pages.)

please explain customers.	how your compar	y attempted to	provide	service to	those potentia
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3. Please provid prior calendar y	le the number of conear.	nplaints per 1,00	0 connect	ions (fixed	or mobile) in the
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2. Please provide the number of requests for service from potential customers within the recipient's service areas that were unfulfilled during the prior calendar year. If applicable,

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4. A wireline ETC must certify that it is in compliance with the Commission's quality of service standards and a wireless ETC must certify that it is in compliance with the CTIA Code. Please complete the following, as applicable to your company:

## QUALITY OF SERVICE <u>WIRELINE</u> ANNUAL CERTIFICATION KCC Docket Reference: 06-GIMT-446-GIT

(Please type or print legibly)

- 1. My title is President and General Manager of LR Communications, Inc. dba Mutual Telecommunications. In this capacity, I am in a position of authority to certify whether the Company/ Cooperative is complying with required quality of service standards. I am binding LR Communications, Inc. dba Mutual Telecommunications to the statements made in this certification.
- 2. By this affidavit, I certify that LR Communications, Inc. dba Mutual Telecommunications is in compliance with the Commission's quality of service standards as adopted in Docket No. 191,206-U.

I certify under penalty of perjury under the laws of the state of Kansas that the foregoing is true and correct. (Pursuant to Kan. Stat. Ann. 53-601.) Executed on  $\frac{6}{16}$  (date).

Signature

John Tietjens

Printed/Typed Name

# QUALITY OF SERVICE <u>WIRELESS</u> ANNUAL CERTIFICATION KCC Docket Reference: 06-GIMT-446-GIT

(Please type or print legibly)

1.	My title is		of t	he		(C	Company/
Cooperative).	In this capaci	y, I am in a po	sition of aut	thority to	certify whet	her the C	Company/
Cooperative	is complying	with required	quality of	service	standards.	I am	binding
	(Com	pany/Cooperativ	e) to the state	ments ma	de in this cert	ification.	
2.	By this affida	vit, I certify that			(Company	/ Coopera	tive) is in
compliance w	ith the CTIA Co	de.					
I cert	ify under penalty	of perjury under	the laws of th	ne state of	Kansas that t	he foregoi	ng is true
and correct. (	Pursuant to Kan.	Stat. Ann. 53-60	1.) Executed	on		(dat	e).
			S	Signature			
				Print / Ty	ned Name		

5. Each ETC must certify that it will be able to function in an emergency as set forth in 47 C.F.R § 54.202(a)(2).

# ABILITY TO FUNCTION IN AN EMERGENCY ANNUAL CERTIFICATION KCC Docket Reference: 06-GIMT-446-GIT

(Please type or print legibly)

- 1. My title is President and General Manager of LR Communications, Inc. dba Mutual Telecommunications. In this capacity, I am in a position of authority to certify whether the Company/ Cooperative is able to function in an emergency. I am binding LR Communications, Inc. dba Mutual Telecommunications to the statements made in this certification.
- 2. By this affidavit, I certify that LR Communications, Inc. dba Mutual Telecommunications is capable of functioning in an emergency.

l certify under penalty of perjury under the laws of the state of Kansas that the foregoing is true and correct. (Pursuant to Kan. Stat. Ann. 53-601.) Executed on 6/26/2025 (date).

Signature

John Tietjens

Printed / Typed Name

6. 47 U.S.C. § 214(e)(1)(B) requires every ETC to advertise its services (including Lifeline services) throughout the service area for which it has been designated "using media of general distribution." Please complete the following:

Geographic Areas Name of Media Type of Media **Dates Published** Reached Website ΑII Internet All year Marquette Tribune Print Marquette Area 2-2024 1-4, 3-14, 5-23, 7-11, Sterling Bulletin Print Sterling Area 10-3, 12-5, 12-7, 12-19 Facebook ΑII All year Internet

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(If necessary, please attach additional pages.)

7. A competitive ETC must certify that it offers a local usage plan comparable to that of the incumbent LEC. Please provide a description of the local usage plan(s) that is comparable to that of the incumbent LEC and complete the certification.

LR Communications, Inc. utilizes the same plans presented with our CETC application which mirrors the offerings currently in place. These offerings are comparable to the incumbent.

# COMPARABLE LOCAL USAGE PLAN ANNUAL CERTIFICATION KCC Docket Reference: 06-GIMT-446-GIT

(Please type or print legibly)

- 1. My title is President and General Manager of LR Communications, Inc. dba Mutual Telecommunications. In this capacity, I am in a position of authority to certify whether the Company/ Cooperative offers a local usage plan comparable to that of the incumbent. I am binding LR Communications, Inc. dba Mutual Telecommunications to the statements made in this certification.
- 2. By this affidavit, I certify that LR Communications, Inc. dba Mutual Telecommunications offers a local usage plan comparable to that of the incumbent.

I certify under penalty of perjury under the laws of the state of Kansas that the foregoing is true and correct. (Pursuant to Kan. Stat. Ann. 53-601.) Executed on 6/26/2025 (date).

Signature

John Tietjens

Printed/Typed Name