BEFORE THE STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF KANSAS

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In the Matter of an Investigation to Determine the Affordable Local Service Rates for Rate-of-Return Regulated Carriers and the Annual Assessment Rate for the Twenty-Seventh Year of the Kansas Universal Service Fund, Effective March 1, 2023.

Docket No. 25-GIMT-164-GIT

NON-CONFIDENTIAL APPLCATION OF NEX-TECH WIRELESS, L.L.C FOR APPROVAL OF USE OF TRAFFIC STUDIES <u>FOR KANSAS UNIVERSAL SERVICE FUND REPORTING</u>

COMES NOW Nex-Tech Wireless, L.L.C. (hereinafter "NTW") and requests permission for NTW to, effective January 1, 2025, use the inverse percentage derived by NTW's traffic study to determine the intrastate revenues for its Kansas Universal Service Fund ("KUSF") assessment. In support, NTW shows the Commission as follows:

- 1. In 2003, the Commission determined in Docket No. 03-GIMT-923-GIT that "[a] wireless carrier may report revenue based on the FCC safe harbor rules or on a documented study accepted by the FCC" and has allowed other wireless carriers to use a traffic study to determine intrastate retail revenues for KUSF assessment purposes.
- 2. NTW performed a traffic study for the most recent three months of actual intrastate usage and will be used by NTW, subject to Commission approval, to report intrastate revenue beginning January 1, 2025. See Attached Confidential Exhibit "A." FUSF assessment purposes.
- 3. Based on the traffic study NTW, **1999**% of NTW's revenues are intrastate. Should this percentage change, NTW will notify the Commission as appropriate.

4. With this application, NTW also submits the affidavit of Jon Lightle, NTW's President and CEO.

WHEREFORE, Nex-Tech Wireless, L.L.C. respectfully requests the Commission

approve its company-specific traffic study and its use of the inverse of the federal percentage derived from that study for KUSF purposes.

Respectfully submitted,

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VERIFICATION

Pursuant to K.S.A. 53-601, I hereby declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct. Executed on October 25, 2024.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, the undersigned, hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the above and foregoing document was emailed on this 25th day of October 2024, to the following:

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PUBLIC AFFIDAVIT OF JON LIGHTLE ON BEHALF OF NEX-TECH WIRELESS, L.L.C.

I, Jon Lightle, being of lawful age and duly sworn state as follows:

1. I am employed by Nex-Tech Wireless, L.L.C. ("NTW") as President and CEO.

In this capacity I am responsible for reporting and remittances for NTW to the Kansas Universal Service Fund ("KUSF").

2. NTW has requested the Commission to permit it to use a company-specific traffic study for KUSF reporting and remitting purposes. NTW will be using this traffic study for determining interstate revenues subject to the federal universal service fund assessment. By this application, NTW has requested the Commission to be permitted to use the inverse of the interstate study percentage for intrastate, or KUSF, assessment purposes, thereby assuring that no revenues are double assessed.

3. NTW's traffic study is based on actual call origination and termination minutes of use ("MOU") data obtained from NTW's call detail records, which NTW classifies as intrastate, interstate, or international. NTW derives the percentage of interstate/international MOU by

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dividing the number of interstate and international MOU into total AMOU. This percentage is accepted by the FCC for FUSF reporting purposes.

4. NTW uses the inverse of the federal percentage derived from this traffic study to calculate the percentage for KUSF reporting purposes.

5. Beginning January 1, 2025, NTW will use the percentages derived from the traffic study to calculate interstate revenue subject to federal universal service fund assessment at

Memory %. Therefore, and also beginning January 1, 2025, NTW will use the inverse of that percentage to calculate intrastate revenue subject to the Kansas Universal Service Fund Assessment at Memory %.

WHEREFORE AFFIANT SAYETH NAUGHT.

Pursuant to K.S.A. 53-601, I hereby declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct. Executed on October 24, 2024.

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Jon Lightle, Nex-Tech Wireless, L.L.C. President and CEO