

**THE STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF KANSAS**

Before Commissioners: Dwight D. Keen, Chair
 Shari Feist Albrecht
 Susan K. Duffy

In the Matter of the Application and Request of)
The Golden Belt Telephone Association, Inc.) Docket No. 19-GNBT-505-KSF
for an Increase in its Cost-Based Kansas)
Universal Service Fund Support.)

ORDER SETTING PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE

This matter comes before the State Corporation Commission of the State of Kansas (Commission). Having examined its files and records, and being fully advised in the premises, the Commission finds the following:

1. On June 5, 2019, the Golden Belt Telephone Association, Inc. (Golden Belt) filed an Application requesting an increase in its Kansas Universal Service Fund (KUSF) support.¹
2. On June 25, 2019, an *Order Designating Prehearing Officer and Protective and Discovery Order* was issued by the Commission.
3. The Commission adopts the following procedural schedule:

DATE	TIME	ACTION
June 5, 2019		Application Filed
October 11, 2019	5:00 pm	Staff and Intervenor Testimony Due
October 18, 2019	5:00 pm	Cross-Answering Testimony Due
October 25, 2019	5:00 pm	Rebuttal Testimony Due
November 1, 2019	9:00 am	Settlement Conference
November 1, 2019	5:00 pm	Discovery Cutoff
November 6, 2019	5:00 pm	Settlement Due
November 12, 2019	5:00 pm	Testimony in Support of Settlement Due
November 12, 2019	9:00 am	Prehearing Conference
November 14, 2019	10:30 am	Evidentiary Hearing
December 6, 2019	5:00 pm	Applicant's Initial Brief

¹ Application of The Golden Belt Telephone Association, Inc., p. 1 (June 5, 2019).

DATE	TIME	ACTION
December 13, 2019	5:00 pm	Staff and Intervenor Briefs
December 20, 2019	5:00 pm	Applicant's Reply Brief
January 30, 2020	N/A	Commission Order

4. Finding that a Prehearing Conference is necessary to address pending matters, establish procedures for the evidentiary hearing, and consider any other prehearing issues,² the Commission schedules a Prehearing Conference for November 12, 2019, beginning at 9:00 a.m. in the Commission's Third Floor Hearing Room, 1500 SW Arrowhead Road, Topeka, Kansas. The Prehearing Officer will preside. Any party who fails to attend or participate in the Prehearing Conference or in any other stage of this proceeding may be held in default under the Kansas Administrative Procedure Act (KAPA).³ At the Prehearing Conference, without further notice, this proceeding may be converted into a conference hearing or a summary proceeding for disposition of the matter as provided by KAPA.⁴

5. An evidentiary hearing, with the Commission presiding, will be held on November 14, 2019 at 10:30 a.m. in the Commission's First Floor Hearing Room, 1500 SW Arrowhead Road, Topeka, Kansas. Any party that fails to attend or participate in the hearing or in any other stage of this proceeding may be held in default under the KAPA.⁵

6. The Commission approves the use of electronic service of all testimony, briefs, and orders, without requiring provision of follow-up hard copies as required by K.A.R. 82-1-216(a)(6). Testimony and briefs must be served electronically by 5:00 p.m. on the date due. The Commission directs electronic service of testimony and briefs to include service on the Prehearing Officer at m.duenes@kcc.ks.gov.

² K.S.A. 77-517; K.A.R. 82-1-222.

³ K.S.A. 77-516(c)(8); K.S.A. 77-520.

⁴ K.S.A. 77-516(c)(7).

⁵ K.S.A. 77-518(c)(8); K.S.A. 77-520.

THEREFORE, THE COMMISSION ORDERS:

- A. The procedural schedule set forth in paragraph 3 of this Order is adopted.
- B. Any party may file and serve a petition for reconsideration pursuant to the requirements and time limits established by K.S.A. 77-529(a)(1).⁶
- C. The Commission retains jurisdiction over the subject matter and parties for the purpose of entering such further orders as it may deem necessary.

BY THE COMMISSION IT IS SO ORDERED.

Keen, Chair; Albrecht, Commissioner; Duffy, Commissioner

Dated: 07/09/2019



Lynn M. Retz
Executive Director

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⁶ K.S.A. 66-118b; K.S.A. 77-503(c); K.S.A. 77-531(b).

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

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I, the undersigned, certify that a true copy of the attached Order has been served to the following by means of

electronic service on 07/09/2019.

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