

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

Before Commissioners: Andrew J. French, Chairperson
 Dwight D. Keen
 Annie Kuether

In the Matter of the Application of Golden Belt)
Telephone Association, Inc., for Tariff)
Changes Related to the Cessation of Annual) Docket No. 26-GNBT-087-TAR
Distribution of a Dated Directory.)

SUSPENSION ORDER: APRIL 30, 2026

The above-captioned matter comes before the State Corporation Commission of the State of Kansas (“Commission”) for consideration. Having reviewed and being advised in the matter, the Commission makes the following findings and conclusions:

1. On September 2, 2025, Golden Belt Telephone Association, Inc., filed an application requesting approval for tariff changes to implement its in-process cessation of printing and annually distributing a dated telephone directory in accordance with the Commission’s order in Docket No. 24-GIMT-380-MIS. Golden Belt is also requesting to correct one typographical error found on Original Sheet 9 in Part 1.¹

2. K.S.A. 66-117(c) states in part:

The commission shall not delay the effective date of the proposed change in rate, joint rate, toll, charge or classification or schedule of charges, or in any rule or regulation or practice pertaining to the service or rates of any such public utility or common carrier, more than 240 days beyond the date the public utility or common carrier filed its application requesting the proposed change. If the commission does not suspend the proposed schedule within 30 days of the date the same is filed by the public utility or common carrier, such proposed schedule shall be deemed approved by the commission and shall take effect on the proposed effective date.

¹ Application for Golden Belt Telephone Association, Inc. (Sep. 2, 2025) (“Application”).

3. A full investigation of the application is found to be necessary and proper. Absent suspension, the Commission and its Staff are without sufficient time to fully review, consider, and analyze whether approval of the Application is just and reasonable.

4. The Commission finds and concludes that suspension of the effectiveness of the Application and deferral of its effective date are required to allow sufficient time for full investigation of this matter. The effectiveness of the Application is hereby suspended for a period of 240 days from the date it was filed, September 2, 2025, until Thursday, April 30, 2026, pursuant to K.S.A. 66-117(c). A Commission decision may be issued before such date.

THEREFORE, THE COMMISSION ORDERS:

A. Pursuant to K.S.A. 66-117(c), the Application in the above-captioned docket, and the effective date therein, shall be suspended 240 days, until Thursday, April 30, 2026, subject to further action by the Commission.

B. Electronic service shall be utilized for serving pleading/motions and orders.

C. 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).²

BY THE COMMISSION IT IS SO ORDERED.

French, Chairperson; Keen, Commissioner; Kuether, Commissioner

Dated: 09/09/2025



Celeste Chaney-Tucker
Executive Director

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² 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 09/09/2025.

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