

THE STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF KANSAS

Before Commissioners: Mark Sievers, Chairman
 Ward Loyd
 Thomas E. Wright

In the Matter of a General Investigation to)
Determine the Assessment Rate for the) Docket No. 12-GIMT-168-GIT
Sixteenth Year of the Kansas Universal)
Service Fund, Effective March 1, 2012.)

ORDER ASSESSING COSTS TO ELIGIBLE TELECOMMUNICATIONS CARRIERS

The above captioned matter comes on for consideration and determination by 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 and concludes as follows:

1. K.S.A. 66-1502(a) authorizes the Commission to assess the expenses of an investigation, opened on its own motion, against public utilities if the expenses reasonably attributable to such investigation exceed the sum of \$100. The Commission will use members of its Staff in this investigation, and as deemed appropriate by the Commission, employ special assistants and consultants to investigate all matters connected with this proceeding. The Commission finds that the expenses reasonably attributable to this investigation will exceed \$100. The Commission concludes that the costs of this proceeding should be assessed to all companies designated as ETCs for KUSF purposes. This order constitutes notice of the assessment of costs and the assessment will begin three days after the date this order is mailed. ETCs are hereby given notice that they may request a hearing as to the necessity of the investigation or the assessment of costs, in accordance with the provisions of the Kansas Administrative Procedure Act.

IT IS, THEREFORE, BY THE COMMISSION ORDERED THAT:

A. Eligible telecommunications carriers are assessed the costs of this investigation pursuant to K.S.A. 66-1502.

B. The parties have fifteen days, plus three days if service of this order is by mail, from the date this order was served in which to petition the Commission for reconsideration of any issue or issues decided herein. K.S.A. 66-118b; K.S.A. 2010 Supp. 77-529(a)(1).

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.

Sievers, Chmn.; Loyd, Com.; Wright, Com.

Dated: SEP 29 2011



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