## THE STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF KANSAS

Before Commissioners:

Jay Scott Emler, Chairman Shari Feist Albrecht Pat Apple

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In the Matter of the Audit of Nex-Tech Wireless, L.L.C. by the Kansas Universal Service Fund (KUSF) Administrator Pursuant to K.S.A. 2014 Supp. 66-2010(b) for KUSF Operating Year 18, Fiscal Year March 2014-February 2015.

Docket No. 16-NTWZ-030-KSF

# ORDER ACCEPTING AND ADOPTING COMPLIANCE REPORT AND CLOSING DOCKET

The above-captioned matter comes before the State Corporation Commission of the State of Kansas (Commission) for consideration and determination. Having examined its files and record, and being duly advised in the premises, the Commission finds and concludes as follows:

1. On July 30, 2015, the Commission directed GVNW Consulting, Inc. (GVNW) to perform an audit of Nex-Tech Wireless, L.L.C. (Nex-Tech) for Kansas Universal Service Fund (KUSF) purposes.

2. On June 1, 2016, GVNW filed its Audit Report of even date identifying four KUSF reporting deficiencies and recommending that Nex-Tech take specific actions in order to correct these deficiencies within sixty (60) days of issuance of a Commission Order. On June 21, 2016, the Commission issued its Order accepting and adopting GVNW's Audit Report and directing Nex-Tech to complete the following requirements: (i) submit Audit True-ups to the KUSF for Operating Year 18 and remit \$19,462.99 of additional assessments to the KUSF; (ii) issue \$17,750.88 in refunds to its current Freedom Plan subscribers through one-time equal billing credits and provide GVNW with an affidavit executed by an officer of the company attesting to completion of the refund and also provide GVNW with copies of customer bills

substantiating the refund; (iii) submit Audit True-ups for KUSF Operating Year 18 and 19 (March 2015-February 2016) and pay the sum of \$29,282.46 to the KUSF; and (iv) refund \$48,709.89 to its current customers through one-time equal bill credits and provide GVNW with an affidavit executed by an officer of the company attesting to completion of the refund and also provide GVNW with copies of customer bills substantiating the refund. The Commission's June 21, 2016 Order further directed GVNW to submit a Compliance Report upon Nex-Tech's completion of the foregoing requirements.

3. On August 16, 2016, GVNW submitted its Compliance Report of even date stating that Nex-Tech had completed the required True-up submissions, payments to the KUSF, and refunds to customers. GVNW further states that Nex-Tech provided copies of customer bills substantiating completion of the customer refunds and the required affidavit attesting to issuance of the customer refunds. Inasmuch as Nex-Tech has completed all requirements of the Commission's June 21, 2016 Order, GVNW recommends the Commission close this docket.

4. The Commission has reviewed GVNW's Compliance Report filed August 16, 2016 and concludes that it should adopt the same and close this docket.

## IT IS, THEREFORE, BY THE COMMISSION ORDERED THAT:

A. The Commission accepts and adopts GVNW Consulting, Inc.'s Compliance Report filed in this matter on August 16, 2016. This docket is hereby closed.

B. The Commission retains jurisdiction over Nex-Tech Wireless, L.L.C. and the subject matter of this Docket for the purpose of issuing such additional orders as it may deem necessary.

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# BY THE COMMISSION IT IS SO ORDERED.

Emler, Chairman; Albrecht, Commissioner; Apple, Commissioner

Dated: AUG 3 0 2016

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Secretary to the Commission

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# Order Mailed Date

AUG 31 2016

# **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

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

first class mail/hand delivered on \_\_\_\_\_ AUG 3 0 2016

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