THE STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF KANSAS

Jay Scott Emler, Chairman

Shari Feist A Pat Apple	Albrecht
In the Matter of the Application for Approval of an Interconnection, Collocation and Resale Agreement Between United Telephone Company of Eastern Kansas d/b/a CenturyLink; United Telephone Company of Kansas d/b/a Century Link; United Telephone Company of Southcentral Kansas d/b/a CenturyLink; Embarq Missouri, Inc. d/b/a CenturyLink and Comcast Phone of Kansas, LLC d/b/a Comcast Digital Phone Pursuant to the Telecommunications Act of 1996))))) Docket No. 17-UTET-077-IAT)))

Before Commissioners:

ORDER ASSESSING COSTS

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 records and being fully advised in the premises, the Commission finds and concludes as follows:

1. K.S.A. 66-1502 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 utilize 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 equally assessed to United Telephone Company of Kansas/dba CenturyLink and Comcast Phone of Kansas, LLC d/b/a Comcast Digital Phone. This order constitutes notice of the assessment of costs and the

assessment will begin three days after the date this order is mailed. United Telephone Company of Kansas/dba CenturyLink and Comcast Phone of Kansas, LLC d/b/a Comcast Digital Phone are 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. United Telephone Company of Kansas/dba CenturyLink and Comcast Phone of Kansas, LLC d/b/a Comcast Digital Phone are equally assessed the costs of this investigation.

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.

Emler Chairman; Albrecht, Commissioner; Apple, Commissioner Dated: SEP 0 9 2016

Amy L. Green Secretary to the Commission

Order Mailed Date

SEP 0.9 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 SEP 0.9 2016

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