## THE STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF KANSAS

Before Commissioners: Andrew J. French, Chairperson

Dwight D. Keen Annie Kuether

In the Matter of Staff's Petition to Open a Docket	)	
to Write-Off the Balance on Q LINK WIRELESS,	)	Docket No. 26-QLWZ-088-KSF
LLC's Kansas Universal Service Fund (KUSF)	)	
Account.	)	

# ORDER AUTHORIZING VANTAGE POINT SOLUTIONS TO WRITE OFF Q LINK WIRELESS, LLC'S KANSAS UNIVERSAL SERVICE FUND BALANCE

This matter comes before the State Corporation Commission of the State of Kansas (Commission) for consideration and decision. Having reviewed the pleadings and record, the Commission makes the following findings:

- 1. On March 13, 2013, the Commission issued an order in Docket No. 13-QLWZ-174-ETC granting Q Link Wireless, LLC ("Q Link") Eligible Telecommunications Carrier ("ETC") status in Kansas as a Lifeline-Only service provider.
- 2. On July 30, 2025, Vantage Point Solutions ("VPS"), the Kansas Universal Service Fund ("KUSF") Administrator, submitted a memorandum to Commission Staff ("Staff") requesting Commission authorization to write off a balance of \$457.47 on Q Link's KUSF account.<sup>2</sup> VPS' memorandum described the circumstances giving rise to this request for a write-off, including that Q Link no longer provides services to Kansas customers and is delinquent in submitting its March 2025 February 2026 (FY 29) Attachment B, along with any FY 29 worksheet(s) and assessment payment(s).<sup>3</sup> Additionally, VPS stated that the Federal Register

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Order Granting Eligible Telecommunications Carrier Status in Kansas and Granting Service Area Redefinitions, Docket No. 13-QLWZ-174-ETC (March 13, 2013).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> See Staff Exhibit 1.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> *Id*. at p. 2.

indicates that on October 14, 2024, Q Link pled guilty to conspiring to defraud and commit related offenses in connection with a scheme involving the Federal Lifeline program.<sup>4</sup>

- 3. On September 23, 2025, Staff filed its Report and Recommendation ("R&R"), dated September 16, 2025, in the above-captioned docket, ultimately recommending that the Commission issue an order authorizing VPS to write off the \$457.47 balance on Q Link's KUSF account and directing VPS to maintain all related KUSF records in a manner that will allow VPS to track the reason for this write-off, the amount written off, and any future transactions applicable to Q Link's files.<sup>5</sup>
- 4. The Commission's write-off policy, adopted June 2, 2000, allows the KUSF Administrator to write-off balances owed to the KUSF, after notification to Staff, if: (1) the balance owed to the KUSF is \$99.00 or less and the company is at least 180 days delinquent with its KUSF obligations; or (2) a balance of \$99.00 or less is owed to a company and the company is no longer operating in Kansas or the administrator does not have any current contacts for the company. For companies that meet this criteria, but have a balance exceeding the \$99.00 threshold, VPS must receive authorization to write-off the balance via a Commission order. If a final balance cannot be determined because the Company has failed to comply with all KUSF requirements or VPS or the Commission does not have any current contacts for the company, a credit balance may be retained in the Fund.
- 5. The Commission hereby incorporates by reference the recommendations contained in Staff's R&R, as filed in the above-captioned docket on September 23, 2025.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> *Id*.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Report and Recommendation, Utilities Division, Docket No. 26-QLWZ-088-KSF (Sep. 16, 2025) ("Staff's R&R" or "R&R").

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> Staff's R&R, p. 2.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> *Id*.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> *Id*.

6. The Commission finds that VPS' request for this write-off falls within the parameters of the Commission's June 2, 2000, write-off policy.

7. The Commission finds that it is just and reasonable to authorize VPS to write off the \$457.47 balance on Q Link's KUSF account.

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

A. Vantage Point Solutions is hereby authorized to write off the \$457.47 balance on Q Link Wireless, LLC's Kansas Universal Service Fund account.

B. Vantage Point Solutions shall maintain all related KUSF records in such a manner that allows VPS to track the reason for this write-off, the amount written off, and any future transactions applicable to Q Link's files.

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).9

#### BY THE COMMISSION IT IS SO ORDERED.

> Celeste Chaney-Tucker Executive Director

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> K.S.A. 66-118b; K.S.A. 77-503(c); K.S.A. 77-531(b).

## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

### 26-QLWZ-088-KSF

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

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