## BEFORE THE STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF KANSAS

In the Matter of An Investigation to Determine the Affordable Local Service Rates for Rate-of-Return Regulated Carriers and the Annual Assessment Rate for the Twenty-Ninth Year of the Kansas Universal Service Fund, Effective March 1, 2025.

Docket No. 25-GIMT-141-GIT

# ANNUAL NOTICE OF UPDATE OF TRAFFIC FACTOR UTILIZED BY ASSURANCE WIRELESS USA, L.P.

COMES NOW Assurance Wireless USA, L.P. ("Assurance Wireless"), a subsidiary of T-Mobile USA, Inc., by its undersigned counsel, to notify the State Corporation Commission of the State of Kansas ("Commission") of the traffic factor used by Assurance Wireless to allocate revenue to the intrastate jurisdiction for purposes of the Kansas Universal Service Fund ("KUSF"). For its Notice, Assurance Wireless states as follows:

- 1. Pursuant to K.S.A. 66-2008(a), the Commission requires "every telecommunications carrier, telecommunications public utility and wireless telecommunications service provider that provides intrastate telecommunications service and, to the extent not prohibited by federal law, every provider of interconnected VoIP service, as defined by 47 C.F.R. 9.3 (October 1, 2005), to contribute to the [Kansas Universal Service Fund] on an equitable and nondiscriminatory basis." On December 27, 1996, in Docket No. 94-GIMT-478-GIT, the Commission stated the contribution would be an annual assessment on each provider's intrastate retail revenues.
- 2. In its January 24, 2012 Order Setting the Kansas Universal Service Fund Assessment Rate for Year Sixteen and Cancelling Hearing ("Order") in Docket No. 12-GIMT-168-GIT ("12-168 Docket"), the Commission directed all wireless carriers and interconnected

VoIP providers that use the direct assignment or traffic study methodology to update their factors

at least annually.

3. On February 1, 2012, the Commission issued its Amended Order Setting the Kansas

Universal Service Fund Assessment Rate for Year Sixteen and Cancelling Hearing ("Amended

Order") in the 12-168 Docket. In its Amended Order, among other things, the Commission

adopted Staff's recommendation that companies provide an affidavit verifying that the same

methodology and the inverse traffic factors are used for federal Universal Service Fund purposes.

Companies are required to provide updates to their methodology and allocation factors at least

annually, even if such pleading verifies that no change has occurred. Amended Order at ¶¶ 8-9.

4. In accordance with the Commission's above-referenced orders in the 12-168

Docket, Assurance Wireless files this Notice and attached Confidential Affidavit of John Barnes,

Vice President – Indirect Tax for T-Mobile USA, Inc., setting out Assurance Wireless's intrastate

factor used for KUSF (and inversely, federal USF) purposes, for KUSF Year 29, commencing

March 1, 2025 and ending February 28, 2026.

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WHEREFORE, Assurance Wireless respectfully submits its Notice of Update of Traffic Factor and Confidential Affidavit of John Barnes.

Respectfully submitted,

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March 11, 2025

#### **VERIFICATION**

STATE OF MISSOURI	)	
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COUNTY OF JACKSON	)	

I, Mark P. Johnson, verify under penalty of perjury that I have caused the foregoing Annual Notice of Update of Traffic Factor Utilized by Assurance Wireless USA, L.P. ("Assurance Wireless"), to be prepared on behalf of Assurance Wireless, and that the contents thereof are true and correct to the best of my knowledge, information and belief.

Mark P. Johnson

March 11, 2025

### **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the above and foregoing Annual Notice of Allocation Methodology utilized by Assurance Wireless USA, L.P., was served via electronic mail this 11th day of March, 2025 to the parties appearing on the Commission's service list as last modified on September 18, 2024.

/s/ Mark P. Johnson

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