

BEFORE THE STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF KANSAS

In the Matter of a General Investigation Into)
Depreciation Rates Applicable to Rural) 24-GIMT-459-GIT
Incumbent Local Exchange Carriers.)

SECOND MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO FILE COMMENTS

COME NOW the Rural Local Exchange Carriers (“RLECs”)¹ and move the Kansas Corporation Commission (“Commission”) for a second extension of the date to file initial comments in the instant proceeding. In support, the RLECs show the Commission as follows:

1. On January 4, 2024, the Commission issued in this docket its Order Opening General Investigation and Setting Comment Deadline. The Order directed interested RLECs to file comments within 90 days of the date of the order, or April 3, 2024, and then directed Commission Staff to file reply comments within 180 days of the date of the order, or July 2, 2024.

2. On March 29, 2024, the RLECs filed a request for an extension of time to file initial comments, a request which Staff did not oppose. The Commission granted that request by

¹ The “RLECs” are the following companies: Blue Valley Tele-Communications, Inc., Columbus Communications Services, LLC, Craw-Kan Telephone Cooperative, Inc., Cunningham Telephone Co., Inc., Golden Belt Telephone Association, Inc., Gorham Telephone Co., Inc., H&B Communications, Inc., Haviland Telephone Co., Inc., Home Telephone Co., Inc. JBN Telephone Company, Inc., KanOkla Telephone Association, LaHarpe Telephone Co., Inc., Madison Telephone, LLC, Moundridge Telephone Co., Inc., Peoples Telecommunications, LLC, Pioneer Telephone Association, Inc., Rainbow Telecommunications Association, Inc., Rural Telephone Service Co., Inc. d/b/a Nex-Tech, S&A Telephone Co., LLC, S&T Telephone Cooperative Association, Inc., South Central Telephone Association, Inc., Southern Kansas Telephone Co., Inc., Totah Communications, Inc., Tri-County Telephone Association, Inc., Twin Valley Telephone, Inc., United Telephone Association, Inc., Wamego Telecommunications Co., Inc., Wilson Telephone Co., Inc., and Zenda Telephone Co., Inc.

order dated April 4, 2024, and RLEC initial comments were ordered to be filed today, May 3, 2024.

3. Due to the continued recent press of other business such as the annual report and interrogatory filings due May 1, 2024, and the number of companies and consultants involved in contributing to the comments, the RLECs find that a second request for extension of time to be necessary.

4. The RLECs approached Commission litigation counsel Staff, and legal assistant, with a request to extend the time to file initial comments three weeks to May 24, 2024. At the time of filing this motion, the RLECs have not received a response to their inquiry from Staff. Commission Staff should, of course, receive any additional extension in which to file reply comments.

5. Neither the Commission nor its Staff will be prejudiced by this three week extension of time to file the initial comments and indeed will benefit from the matters at issue in this docket to be more fully fleshed out.

WHEREFORE, the RLECs request the Commission issue an order granting both the RLECs a three-week extension of the time ordered to file initial and reply comments, with the RLEC comments now due Friday, May 24, 2024.

Respectfully submitted,

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VERIFICATION

I, the undersigned, hereby certify under penalty of perjury pursuant to K.S.A. 53-601 that I am an attorney for the companies listed above and that the foregoing is true and correct.
Executed on May 3, 2024.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

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