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June 26, 2025

Ms. Lynn M. Retz, Executive Director Kansas Corporation Commission 1500 S.W. Arrowhead Road Topeka, KS 66604-4027

RE: Docket No. 25-GIMT-332-GIT

Dear Ms. Retz:

Enclosed is the Elkhart Telephone Co., Inc. Section 254(e) Certification required by the Commission to be filed in this docket.

Some information in this filing has been marked confidential. We believe the information is of such competitive sensitivity that its disclosure to any person other than the company, the Commission and Staff is prohibited by K.S.A. 66-1220a. The Commission has not issued a protective order in this docket.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Harvey Taylor

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Enclosures

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THE STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF KANSAS

Before Commissioners: Andrew J. Fre Dwight D. Ke Annie Kuether			nmissioner	
In the Matter of Certification of Compliance with Section 254(e) of the Federal Telecommunications Act of 1996 and Certification of Appropriate Use of Kansas Universal Service Fund Support.)))	Docket No. 25-GIMT-332-GIT	

SECTION 254(e) CERTIFICATION FEDERAL HIGH-COST UNIVERSAL SERVICE SUPPORT FCC Docket Reference: CC Docket No. 96-45 and KANSAS UNIVERSAL SERVICE FUND SUPPORT

(Please type or print legibly)

(Circle all Federal and Kansas Support Received)

- 1. My title is Interim Chief Operations Officer of Elkhart Telephone Company, Inc. (Company/Cooperative). In this capacity, I am in a position of authority to direct how federal high-cost Universal Service Fund (USF), including Legacy or Frozen high-cost Loop support (HCL FHCS), Safety Valve support (SVS), Connect America Cost Model (CACM) support, Connect America Fund (CAF I/CAF II) support, Alternative Connect America Cost Model (A-CAM/ACAM II) support, Rural Broadband Experiment support (RBE), Rural Digital Opportunity Fund (RDOF) support, and/or Kansas Universal Service Fund (KUSF) support received will be used and by this certification I am binding Elkhart Telephone Company, Inc. (Company/Cooperative) to the statements made in this certification.
- 2. Elkhart Telephone Company, Inc. (Company/Cooperative) was named as an Eligible Telecommunications Carrier (ETC) by the Kansas Corporation Commission (KCC) for federal support purposes in Docket No. 98-GIMT-241-GIT by order dated December 5, 1997 and KUSF support purposes in Docket No. 98-GIMT-241-GIT by order dated December 5, 1997.
- 3. By this affidavit, I certify that all federal high-cost USF, including HCL FHCS, SVS, CAF I/CAF II, A-CAM/ACAM II, RBE, RDOF, and/or KUSF ecceived by Elkhart Telephone Company, Inc.

Docket No. 25-GIMT-332-GIT Attachment 1

(Company/Cooperative) was used in the proceeding calendar year <u>2024</u> and will be used in the new calendar year <u>2026</u> only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended, consistent with Section 254(e) of the Federal Telecommunications Act, and/or Kansas statutes and KCC requirements.

I certify under penalty of perjury under the laws of the state of Kansas that the foregoing is true and correct.

(Pursuant to Kan. Stat. Ann. 53-601.)

Haney Taylor Signature

Harvey Taylor

Printed/Typed Name

Executed on 06/26/2025

_ date.

Email address: htaylor@epictouch.com

Company Name	: Elkhart Tele	phone Company	, Inc.
	DATA YEAR:	2024	

Company Name:	Elkhart Telep	phone Company, Inc.	
	DATA YEAR:	2024	
For the Following Lines, Use Gross Additions for Plant	and Annual A	nounts for	
Expenses for the Test Year			

Comp	oany Name:	Elkhart Telep	hone Company, Inc.	
		DATA YEAR:	2024	
Test for use of FUSF & KUS	SF			

Company Name:	Elkhart Telepho	ne Company, Inc.
	DATA YEAR:	2024

Narrative Report for New Investments

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ETC Certification for Use of **USF** Support Provided to the Kansas Corporation Commission

Company Name:	Elkhart Telephone Company, Inc.

Data Year: 2024

					Amount Used in the USF
		Cash	Allocation		Supported
Town or Exchange	Description of Improvement	Investment	%	Notes	Areas
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NOTES:

This total amount should match the New Investment Subtotal on the USF Certification Form - Attachment 2a LINES (245 & 255). For CETCs, this amount should match the New

Contact: Harvey Taylor Phone No.: (620) 309-4360

Title: COO E-Mail: <a href="https://doi.org/10.2007/jhtml/https://

Annual ETC Certification of Requirements Imposed by the Commission in Docket Number 06-GIMT-446-GIT

1. Did your company experience any outage in the prior calendar year, as that term is defined in 47 C.F.R. § 4.5, of at least 30 minutes in duration for each service area in which an Eligible Telecommunications Carrier is designated for any facilities it owns, operates, leases, or otherwise utilizes that potentially affect: (i) at least 10% of the end users served in a designated service area; or (ii) a 911 specialty facility as defined in 47 C.F.R. § 4.5(e)? **(Yes/No)____. IF YES, PLEASE COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING:**

2. Please provide the number of requests for service from potential customers within the recipient's service areas that were unfulfilled during the prior calendar year. If applicable, please explain how your company attempted to provide service to those potential customers.

3. Please provide the number of complaints per 1,000 connections (fixed or mobile) in the prior calendar year.

4. A wireline ETC must certify that it is in compliance with the Commission's quality of service standards and a wireless ETC must certify that it is in compliance with the CTIA Code. **Please complete the following, as applicable to your company:**

QUALITY OF SERVICE <u>WIRELINE</u> ANNUAL CERTIFICATION KCC Docket Reference: 06-GIMT-446-GIT

(Please type or print legibly)

- 1. My title is Interim Chief Operations Officer of the Elkhart Telephone Company, Inc. (Company/ Cooperative). In this capacity, I am in a position of authority to certify whether the Company/ Cooperative is complying with required quality of service standards. I am binding Elkhart Telephone Company, Inc. (Company/Cooperative) to the statements made in this certification.
- 2. By this affidavit, I certify that <u>Elkhart Telephone Company</u>, <u>Inc.</u> (Company/Cooperative) is in compliance with the Commission's quality of service standards as adopted in Docket No. 191,206-U.

I certify under penalty of perjury under the laws of the state of Kansas that the foregoing is true and correct. (Pursuant to Kan. Stat. Ann. 53-601.) Executed on 06/26/2025 (date).

Haney Taylor Signature

Harvey Taylor

Printed/Typed Name

KCC Docket Reference: 06-GIMT-446-GIT (Please type or print legibly)

1.	My title is		of tl	ne		(0	Company/
Cooperative).	In this capaci	ty, I am in a po	osition of aut	hority to	certify wh	nether the C	Company/
Cooperative	is complying	with required	quality of	service	standards	. I am	binding
	(Con	npany/Cooperative	e) to the states	ments ma	de in this c	ertification.	
2.	By this affida	wit, I certify that			(Compa	ny/ Coopera	ıtive) is in
compliance w	ith the CTIA Co	de.					
I cert	tify under penalty	of perjury under	the laws of th	e state of	Kansas tha	t the foregoi	ing is true
and correct.	(Pursuant to Kan	. Stat. Ann. 53-60	1.) Executed	on		(dat	te).
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5. Each ETC must certify that it will be able to function in an emergency as set forth in 47 C.F.R § 54.202(a)(2).

ABILITY TO FUNCTION IN AN EMERGENCY ANNUAL CERTIFICATION KCC Docket Reference: 06-GIMT-446-GIT

(Please type or print legibly)

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- 2. By this affidavit, I certify that <u>Elkhart Telephone Company</u>, <u>Inc.</u> (Company/Cooperative) is capable of functioning in an emergency.

I certify under penalty of perjury under the laws of the state of Kansas that the foregoing is true and correct. (Pursuant to Kan. Stat. Ann. 53-601.) Executed on 06/26/2025 (date).

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Printed / Typed Name

6. 47 U.S.C. § 214(e)(1)(B) requires every ETC to advertise its services (including Lifeline services) throughout the service area for which it has been designated "using media of general distribution." **Please complete the following:**

Name of Media	Type of Media	Geographic Areas Reached	Dates Published
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7. A competitive ETC must certify that it offers a local usage plan comparable to that of
the incumbent LEC. Please provide a description of the local usage plan(s) that is
comparable to that of the incumbent LEC and complete the certification.

COMPARABLE LOCAL USAGE PLAN ANNUAL CERTIFICATION KCC Docket Reference: 06-GIMT-446-GIT (Please type or print legibly)

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				(Company/	'Coo	perative	e) to the	statem	ents made ii	n this certificat	ion.
	2		By this af	fidavit, I cert	ify t	hat				(Comp	any/
Co	operati	ive) of	fers a local	usage plan co	mpa	rable to	that of	the incu	ımbent.		
	I	certify	under pen	alty of perjury	unc	ler the 1	aws of	the state	e of Kansas	that the foreg	oing
is	true	and	correct.	(Pursuant	to	Kan.	Stat.	Ann.	53-601.)	Executed	on
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