

**THE STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF KANSAS**

Before Commissioners: Dwight D. Keen, Chair
 Shari Feist Albrecht
 Susan K. Duffy

In the Matter of the Application and Request of)
The Golden Belt Telephone Association, Inc.) Docket No. 19-GNBT-505-KSF
for an Increase in its Cost-Based Kansas)
Universal Service Fund Support.)

ORDER GRANTING MOTION TO SUBSTITUTE WITNESS

This matter comes before the State Corporation Commission of the State of Kansas (Commission). Having examined its files and records, and being fully advised in the premises, the Commission finds the following:

1. On June 5, 2019, the Golden Belt Telephone Association, Inc. (Golden Belt) filed an Application requesting an increase in its Kansas Universal Service Fund (KUSF) support.¹ Included in the Application was the direct testimony of Golden Belt witness Daniel Meszler.²
2. On July 15, 2019, Golden Belt filed a Motion to Substitute Witness (Motion), noting that Mr. Meszler now works for a new company, and therefore, cannot sponsor the direct testimony he filed with Golden Belt's Application.³ Golden Belt requested that Stacey Brigham be substituted as a witness for Mr. Meszler and that she be allowed to adopt and sponsor Mr. Meszler's direct testimony.⁴ Commission Telecommunications Staff (Staff) did not file any objection to Golden Belt's Motion.
3. The Commission finds Golden Belt's Motion to be reasonable and without objection, and thus, grants the requested permission to substitute Stacey Brigham as a witness on

¹ Application of The Golden Belt Telephone Association, Inc., p. 1 (June 5, 2019).

² Application, pp. 9-18.

³ Motion, p. 1.

⁴ *Id.*

behalf of Golden Belt and to allow Ms. Brigham to adopt and sponsor the testimony previously filed by Daniel Meszler.

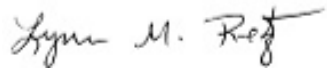
THEREFORE, THE COMMISSION ORDERS:

- A. Golden Belt's Motion to Substitute Witness is granted.
- B. 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).⁵
- 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.

Keen, Chair; Albrecht, Commissioner; Duffy, Commissioner

Dated: 08/08/2019



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Executive Director

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⁵ K.S.A. 66-118b; K.S.A. 77-503(c); K.S.A. 77-531(b).

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

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

electronic service on 08/08/2019.

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