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June 27, 2024

Lynn M. Retz, Secretary Kansas Corporation Commission 1500 SW Arrowhead Rd Topeka, KS 66604

RE: LR Communications, Inc. Docket No. 24-GIMT-612-GIT 254(e) KUSF certifications

Dear Ms. Retz:

On behalf of LR Communications, Inc. attached please find for filing in Docket No. 24-GIMT-612-GIT the 254(e) & KUSF certifications required by the Commission to be filed in this docket by June 30, 2023.

In this filing, the entirety of Attachments 3 and 4 have been marked as confidential; this information is confidential commercial information and, as such, 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.

Cordially yours,

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Encl. cc: John Tietjens

## Docket No. 24-GIMT-612-GIT Attachment 1

## THE STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF KANSAS

Before Commissioners:

Andrew J. French, Chairperson Dwight D. Keen, Commissioner Annie Kuether, Commissioner

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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. 24-GIMT-612-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 President and General Manager of LR Communications, Inc. dba Mutual Telecommunications. 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 LR Communications, Inc. dba Mutual Telecommunications to the statements made in this certification.

2. LR Communications, Inc. dba Mutual Telecommunications was named as an Eligible Telecommunications Carrier (ETC) by the Kansas Corporation Commission (KCC) for federal support purposes in Docket No. 13-LRCC-124-ETC by order dated January 2, 2013 and KUSF support purposes in Docket No. 13-LRCC-124-ETC by order dated January 2, 2013.

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 received by LR Communications, Inc. dba Mutual

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Telecommunications was used in the proceeding calendar year <u>2023</u> and will be used in the new calendar year <u>2025</u> <u>only</u> 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.)

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John Tietjens Printed/Typed Name

Executed on 6/20/24 date.

Email address: jtietjens@mtc4me.com

Company Name : <u>LR Communications, Inc. dba Mutual Telecommunications</u>							
All CETCs must complete this form to receive certification for its use of FUSF support, pursuant to 47 C.F.R. § 54.314 and KCC Requirements. Please attach additional pages, if necessary. If you have any questions, please email the KCC Staff at s.garrett@kcc.ks.gov and h.bhagat@kcc.ks.gov.							
	Data Year	2023					
		AMOUNT FOR KANSAS	ALLOCATION PERCENT	F CODE (see Notes)	USF AMOUNT FOR FUSF AREAS (INCLUDE SWBT/AT&T Area if support is received for the area)		
FUSF WORKING LOOPS/LINEAverage No. Customers		А	В	С	D=AxB		
NEW INVESTMENTS: 1. SWITCHING 2.OUTSIDE PLANT (LOCAL LOOPS, CELL SITES)(1) SUBTOTAL NEW INVESTMENTS EXPENSES: 3. SWITCH MAINTENANCE 4. OUTSIDE PLANT MAINTENANCE 5. NETWORK SUPPORT 6. ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSE SUBTOTAL EXPENSES A. TOTAL CASH EXPENDITURES ASSD WITH USF B. CERTIFIED FUSF RECEIPTS FOR CETCS B1. Frozen High Cost Support B2. Mobility Fund Support B3. Rural Broadband Experiments Fund B4. CAF II Support B5. Rural Digital Opportunity Fund B5. Total Certified Federal USF Receipts							
C. DO EXPENDITURES EXCEED FUSF RECEIPTS?	No						
(negative number means FUSF exceeds Expenditures)							
Notes: 1) Exclude the cost of transport between switches (dial-tone and/or tandem). 2) Allocation Codes (describe how the costs are allocated): [ <i>the following are examples only, not a complete list.</i> ] a. Based on number of switched MOUs from USF supported cell sites. b. Based on actual expenditures at USF cell sites. An allocation of USF area to total served area is applied at each cell site. (i.e. 200,000 investment at Cell Site A, which serves 80% USF supported area, results in 160,000 of USF dollars.) c. Based on percent of USF served areas to all areas.							
Contact Nan	ne: Stacey B	righam	Title:	Regulatory Di	rector		
Phone No.	p.: <u>719-266-</u>	4334	E-Mail:	sbrigham@tca	atel.com		



## **Narrative Report for New Investments**

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

Company Name: LR Communications, Inc. dba Mutual Telecommunications

Data Year: 2023

				Cash	Allocation		Amount Used in the USF Supported
Town or Exch	nange	Description o	f Improvement	Investment	%	Notes	Areas
A	•		B	С	D	Е	F= C x D
Subtotal							
Total		<u> </u>	This total amo Subtotal on the	e USF Certifi			
			LINES (245 & 2	55).			
	Contact:	Stacey Brigham		Phone No.:	719-266-433	4	
	Title:	Regulatory Direc	ctor	E-Mail:	sbrigham@to	catel.com	

## 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) No . IF YES, PLEASE COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING:

Date and time of Onset of the Outage	Description of the Outage and its Resolution	Particular services affected	Geographic Areas Affected	Steps Taken to Prevent a Similar Situation in the Future	Number of Customers Affected
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

(If necessary, please provide additional pages.)

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.

None

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

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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 President and General Manager of LR Communications, Inc. dba Mutual Telecommunications. 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 LR Communications, Inc. dba Mutual Telecommunications to the statements made in this certification.

2. By this affidavit, I certify that LR Communications, Inc. dba Mutual Telecommunications 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 6/20/24 (date).

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John Tietjens Printed/Typed Name

## QUALITY OF SERVICE <u>WIRELESS</u> ANNUAL CERTIFICATION KCC Docket Reference: 06-GIMT-446-GIT (Please type or print legibly)

 1. My title is \_\_\_\_\_\_ of the \_\_\_\_\_ (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 \_\_\_\_\_\_ (Company/Cooperative) to the statements made in this certification.

2. By this affidavit, I certify that \_\_\_\_\_(Company/Cooperative) is in compliance with the CTIA Code.

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 (date).

Signature

Print / Typed Name

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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)

1. My title is President and General Manager of LR Communications, Inc. dba Mutual Telecommunications. In this capacity, I am in a position of authority to certify whether the Company/ Cooperative is able to function in an emergency. I am binding LR Communications, Inc. dba Mutual Telecommunications to the statements made in this certification.

2. By this affidavit, I certify that LR Communications, Inc. dba Mutual Telecommunications 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 6/20/24 (date).

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John Tietjens

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**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	
Website	Internet	All	All Year	
Marquette Tribune	Print	Marquette Area	January, February, June, August, Sept, October	
Sterling Bulletin	Print	Sterling Area	January, March, May, September, November	
Facebook	Internet	All	All Year	

(If necessary, please attach additional pages.)

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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.

<u>LR Communications, Inc. utilizes the same plans presented with our CETC</u> application which mirrors the offerings currently in place. These offerings are comparable to the incumbent.

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

1. My title is President and General Manager of LR Communications, Inc. dba Mutual Telecommunications. In this capacity, I am in a position of authority to certify whether the Company/ Cooperative offers a local usage plan comparable to that of the incumbent. I am binding LR Communications, Inc. dba Mutual Telecommunications to the statements made in this certification.

2. By this affidavit, I certify that LR Communications, Inc. dba Mutual Telecommunications offers a local usage plan comparable to that of the incumbent.

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 6/20/24 (date).

Signature

John Tietjens

Printed/Typed Name