

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

Before Commissioners: Pat Apple, Chairman
Shari Feist Albrecht
Jay Scott Emler

In the Matter of the Application of Rainbow)
Telecommunications Association, Inc. for an)
Increase in its Cost-Based Kansas Universal) Docket No. 17-RNBT-555-KSF
Service Fund Support.)
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ORDER SETTING PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE

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

1. On June 19, 2017, Rainbow Telecommunications Association, Inc. (RTA) filed an Application for increased Kansas Universal Service Fund (KUSF) support based on RTA's embedded costs, revenue requirements, investments and expenses.¹

2. On June 27, 2017, the Commission issued a *Suspension Order*, and on June 29, 2017, the Commission issued an *Order Designating Prehearing Officer; Protective and Discovery Orders*.

3. The Commission sets the following procedural schedule to govern the proceeding:

DATE	TIME	ACTION
June 19, 2017		Application filed
October 26, 2017	5:00 p.m.	Staff and Intervenor Testimony DUE
November 2, 2017	5:00 p.m.	Cross-Answering Testimony DUE
November 9, 2017	5:00 p.m.	Rebuttal Testimony DUE
November 17, 2017	TBA	Settlement Conference; Discovery Cutoff
November 28, 2017	5:00 p.m.	Settlement DUE

¹ Application of Rainbow Telecommunications Association, Inc. for an Increase in its Cost-Based Kansas Universal Service Fund Support, ¶ 5 (June 19, 2017).

DATE	TIME	ACTION
December 1, 2017	5:00 p.m., or 9:00 a.m.	Testimony in Support of Settlement DUE, or Prehearing Conference
December 5, 2017	9:00 a.m.	Evidentiary Hearing
December 29, 2017	5:00 p.m.	RTA Initial Post-Hearing Brief DUE
January 5, 2018	5:00 p.m.	Staff and Intervenor Post-Hearing Briefs DUE
January 12, 2018	5:00 p.m.	RTA Reply Brief DUE
February 14, 2018		Order Due

4. The Commission finds that a Prehearing Conference is necessary to address any pending matters, establish evidentiary hearing procedures and consider any other prehearing issues that will promote the orderly and prompt conduct of this proceeding.² Thus, a Prehearing Conference is scheduled for December 1, 2017, beginning at 9:00 a.m. in the Commission's Third Floor Hearing Room, 1500 SW Arrowhead Road, Topeka, Kansas. The Prehearing Officer will preside. Any party who fails to attend or participate in the Prehearing Conference or in any other stage of this proceeding may be held in default under the Kansas Administrative Procedure Act (KAPA).³ At the Prehearing Conference, without further notice, this proceeding may be converted into a conference hearing or a summary proceeding for disposition of this matter as provided by the KAPA.⁴

5. An evidentiary hearing, with the Commission presiding, is scheduled for December 5, 2017, at 9:00 a.m., in the Commission's First Floor Hearing Room, 1500 SW Arrowhead Road, Topeka, Kansas. Any party who fails to attend or participate in the evidentiary hearing or in any other stage of this proceeding may be held in default under the KAPA.⁵

6. The Commission approves the use of electronic service of all testimony, briefs, and orders, without requiring provision of follow-up hard copies as required by K.A.R. 82-1-

² K.S.A. 77-517.

³ K.S.A. 77-516(c)(8); K.S.A. 77-520.

⁴ K.S.A. 77-516(c)(7); K.S.A. 77-506.

⁵ K.S.A. 77-518(c)(8); K.S.A. 77-520.

216(a)(6). Testimony and briefs must be served electronically by 5:00 p.m., on the date due, without requiring service among the parties of a follow-up copy. The Commission directs electronic service of testimony and briefs to include service on the Prehearing Officer at m.duenes@kcc.ks.gov.

7. Michael Neeley, m.neeley@kcc.ks.gov, 1500 SW Arrowhead Road, Topeka, Kansas 66604-4027, is the attorneys appearing on behalf of the agency in this proceeding.⁶

THEREFORE, THE COMMISSION ORDERS:

- A. The procedural schedule set forth in paragraph 3 is adopted.
- B. Parties have 15 days from the date of electronic service of this Order to petition for reconsideration.⁷
- C. The Commission retains jurisdiction over the subject matter and parties for the purpose of entering such further orders as it deems necessary.

BY THE COMMISSION IT IS SO ORDERED.

Apple, Chairman; Albrecht, Commissioner; Emler, Commissioner

Dated: JUL 11 2017


Lynn M. Retz
Secretary to the Commission

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⁶ K.S.A. 77-516(c)(2); K.S.A. 77-518(c)(2).

⁷ K.S.A. 66-118b; K.S.A. 77-529(a)(1).

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

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

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