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Ms. Amy L. Green
Secretary to the Commission
Kansas Corporation Commission
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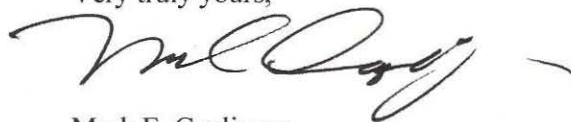
Re: Docket 17-GIMT-008-GIT

Dear Ms. Green,

Attached please find an Entry of Appearance for Mutual Telephone Company, The Southern Kansas Telephone Company, Inc., Rural Telephone Service Co. Inc. dba Nex-Tech, and Wheat State Telephone, Inc. in the above-referenced docket.

If the Commission or Staff has any questions with regard to the filing, please do not hesitate to call me.

Very truly yours,



Mark E. Caplinger
Attorney for Mutual Telephone Co.,
The Southern Kansas Telephone Co. Inc.,
Rural Telephone Service Co. Inc., dba
Nex-Tech, and Wheat State Telephone, Inc.

Enclosures

MEC/njm

Cc: John Tietjens
Kendall Mikesell
Jimmy Todd
Archie Macias

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

In the Matter of an Investigation to Determine)
The Assessment Rate and the Affordable Local)
Service Rate for Rate-of-Return Regulated)
Carriers for the Twenty-First Year of the Kansas)
Universal Service Fund, Effective March 1, 2017.)

Docket No. 17-GIMT-008-GIT

ENTRY OF APPEARANCE

COMES NOW Mark E. Caplinger, of Mark E. Caplinger, P.A., and enters his appearance as counsel on behalf of The Southern Kansas Telephone Company, Inc., Mutual Telephone Company, Rural Telephone Service Company, Inc. dba Nex-Tech, and Wheat State Telephone, Inc. Counsel consents to electronic service without a hard-copy follow-up. Additionally all pleadings, testimony, briefs and orders by electronic service for the above-captioned case may be directed to Counsel at the following address:

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Respectfully submitted,


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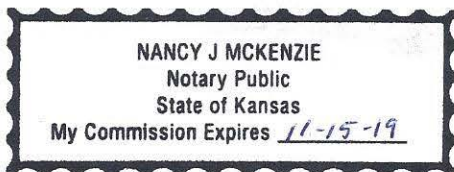
STATE OF KANSAS)
) ss.
COUNTY OF SHAWNEE)

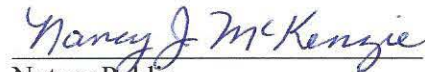
I, Mark E. Caplinger, of lawful age, being first duly sworn upon his oath states:

That he is an attorney for The Southern Kansas Telephone Company, Inc., Mutual Telephone Company, Rural Telephone Company, Inc., dba Nex-Tech, and Wheat State Telephone, Inc., that he has read the above and foregoing document, and upon information and belief, states that the matters therein appearing are true and correct.


Mark E. Caplinger

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN to before me this 19th day of August, 2016.




Notary Public

My Commission Expires:

11-15-19

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, Mark E. Caplinger, hereby certify that a true and ~~correct~~ copy of the above and foregoing document was electronically served to the following on this 14th day of August, 2016.

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