

THE STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF KANSAS

Before Commissioners: Chair Shari Feist Albrecht
Commissioner Jay Scott Emler
Commissioner Pat Apple

In the Matter of Certification of Compliance)
with Section 254(e) of the Federal)
Telecommunications Act of 1996 and) Docket No. 18-GIMT-394-GIT
Certification of Appropriate Use of Kansas)
Universal Service Fund Support.)

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 appropriate support received)

1. My title is Vice President – Financial Operations of Big River Telephone Company, LLC. In this capacity, I am in a position of authority to direct how federal high-cost Universal Service Fund (USF), Connect America Fund (CAF) support, and/or Kansas Universal Service Fund (KUSF) support received will be used and by this certification I am binding Big River Telephone Company, LLC to the statements made in this certification.

2. Big River Telephone Company, LLC was named as an eligible telecommunications carrier by the Kansas Corporation Commission (KCC) for federal support purposes in Docket No. 09-BGRT-213-ETC by order dated 12/14/2009 and KUSF support purposes in Docket No. 13-BRGT-413-KSF by order dated 02/20/2013.

3. By this affidavit, I certify that the USF, CAF and/or KUSF received by Big River Telephone Company, LLC was used in the proceeding calendar year **2017** and will be used in the new calendar year **2019 only** for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended, consistent with Section 254(e) of the 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.)


Signature

Joshua K. Campbell
Printed/Typed Name

Executed on 6/26/18 date.

Email address: jcampbell@bigrivercom.com

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

1. All ETCs must provide detailed information on any outage in the prior calendar year, as that term is defined in 47 CFR 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 CFR 4.5(e).

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
None					

(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.

None

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 WIRELINE ANNUAL CERTIFICATION


KCC Docket Reference: 06-GIMT-446-GIT

(Please type or print legibly)

1. My title is Vice President – Financial Operations of Big River Telephone Company, LLC. 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 Big River Telephone Company, LLC to the statements made in this certification.

2. By this affidavit, I certify that Big River Telephone Company, LLC 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 6/26/18 (date).


Signature

Joshua K. Campbell

Printed/Typed Name

QUALITY OF SERVICE WIRELESS ANNUAL CERTIFICATION

KCC Docket Reference: 06-GIMT-446-GIT

(Please type or print legibly)

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

2. By this affidavit, I certify that N/A (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

5. Each ETC must certify that it will be able to function in an emergency as set forth in 47 CFR § 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 Vice President – Financial Operations of the Big River Telephone Company, LLC. 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 Big River Telephone Company, LLC to the statements made in this certification.

2. By this affidavit, I certify that Big River Telephone Company, LLC 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 6/26/18 (date).



Signature

Joshua K. Campbell

Printed / Typed Name

6. 47 U.S.C. § 214(e)(1)(B) requires every ETC to advertise its 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
KBSH TV	Broadcast Television	Kansas Counties: Cheyenne, Decatur, Ellis, Ellsworth, Geary, Lincoln, Rawlins, Russell, Sheridan, Sherman, Trego	January - December 2017
KSCW TV	Broadcast Television	Kansas Counties: Cheyenne, Decatur, Dickinson, Ellis, Ellsworth, Lincoln, Marion, Ottawa, Rawlins, Russell, Sheridan, Sherman, Trego	January - December 2017
Eagle Radio - Hays	Radio	Central and Western Kansas	January - December 2017
Eagle Radio - Salina	Radio	Central Kansas	January - December 2017
Eagle Radio - Manhattan	Radio	Central Kansas	January - December 2017
Eagle Radio – Junction City	Radio	Central Kansas	January - December 2017
Hays Post.com	Website	Central and Western Kansas	January - December 2017
Salina Post.com	Website	Central Kansas	January - December 2017
Little Apple Post.com	Website	Central Kansas	January - December 2017
Eagle Community TV	Cable Television	Kansas Counties: Clay, Dickinson, Ellis, Ellsworth, Marion, Sherman, Ottawa, Russell, Trego	January - December 2017
Direct Mail	US Postal Service	Kansas Counties: Cheyenne, Clay, Decatur, Dickinson, Ellis, Ellsworth, Geary, Lincoln, Marion, Ottawa, Rawlins, Riley, Russell, Sheridan, Sherman, Trego	January - December 2017
Digital Marketing	Internet – Google Internet - Facebook	Western, Central and Eastern Kansas	January – December 2017
Eaglecom.net	Internet – Website	Kansas Counties: Cheyenne, Clay, Decatur, Dickinson, Ellis, Ellsworth, Geary, Lincoln, Marion, Ottawa, Rawlins, Riley, Russell, Sheridan, Sherman, Trego	January – December 2017

(If necessary, please attach additional pages.)

7. A competitive ETC must certify that it offers a local usage plan comparable to that of the incumbent. Please provide a description of the local usage plan(s) that is comparable to that of the incumbent and complete the certification.

Our plans are comparable to all the incumbents in the areas we have ETC designation in. Big River Telephone has the same local calling areas, and provides all the basic components and features of telephone service being offered by the incumbents in the areas we serve ensuring we include:

- (1) Voice grade access to the public switched network,
- (2) Local usage.
- (3) Dual tone multi-frequency ("DTMF") signaling or its functional equivalent.
- (4) Single party service or its functional equivalent.
- (5) Access to emergency services.
- (6) Access to operator services.
- (7) Access to interexchange service.
- (8) Access to directory assistance.
- (9) Toll limitation for qualifying low income consumers.

COMPARABLE LOCAL USAGE PLAN ANNUAL CERTIFICATION

KCC Docket Reference: 06-GIMT-446-GIT

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2. By this affidavit, I certify that Big River Telephone Company, LLC 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

6/26/18 (date).



Signature

Joshua K. Campbell

Printed/Typed Name