

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

Before Commissioners: Andrew J. French, Chairperson
Dwight D. Keen
Annie Kuether

EarthGrid PBC Application for Certificate of)
Convenience and Authority to Provide Local) Docket No. 24-EGPT-337-COC
Exchange and Exchange Access Services)
within the State of Kansas (CLEC).)

ORDER GRANTING MOTION TO EXTEND STATUTORY DEADLINE

The above-captioned matter comes before the State Corporation Commission of the State of Kansas (Commission) for consideration. Having examined its files and records, and being duly advised in the premises, the Commission finds and concludes as follows:

1. On October 13, 2023, Earthgrid PBC (Earthgrid) filed its Application in this docket seeking a Certificate of Convenience and Authority to provide local exchange and exchange access services within the State of Kansas.
2. K.S.A. 66-131 (b) provides that the Commission shall issue a decision on a public utility's application for a certificate of public convenience and necessity within 180 days of receiving the application. This statute further provides that nothing in this subsection shall preclude an applicant and the Commission from agreeing to a waiver or an extension of the 180-day period.
3. The 180-day period applicable to Earthgrid's Application for a Commission decision is April 10, 2024.
4. On March 27, 2024, Commission Staff (Staff) filed a Motion to Extend Statutory Deadline from Wednesday, April 10, 2024 to Tuesday, July 9, 2024. Staff stated the requested extension of time is for the purpose of allowing the Commission Staff sufficient time to issue its

Report and Recommendation in this matter. Staff further stated that the motion was filed after consultation with Earthgrid and that the parties are in agreement on the extension.

5. The Commission has reviewed Staff's request and finds that an extension of time is warranted, that Staff's motion should be granted and the deadline for issuance of a Commission Order on the Application extended.

IT IS, THEREFORE, BY THE COMMISSION ORDERED THAT:


A. Staff's Motion to Extend Statutory Deadline is granted. The Commission's Order in this Docket is due July 9, 2024.

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).¹

BY THE COMMISSION IT IS SO ORDERED.

French, Chairperson; Keen, Commissioner; Kuether, Commissioner

Dated: 04/02/2024



Lynn M. Retz
Executive Director

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¹K.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 04/02/2024.

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