

THE STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION  
OF THE STATE OF KANSAS

Before Commissioners:                    Mark Sievers, Chairman  
   Thomas E. Wright  
   Shari Feist Albrecht

In the Matter of an Investigation to Determine    )  
The Assessment Rate for the Eighteenth Year    ) Docket No. 14-GIMT-105-GIT  
of The Kansas Universal Service Fund,         )  
Effective March 1, 2014.                            )

**ORDER GRANTING EXTENSION OF TIME**

NOW, the above-captioned matter comes before the State Corporation Commission of the State of Kansas (“Commission”) for consideration and decision. Having reviewed its files and records and being duly advised in the premises, the Commission makes the following findings:

1.        On August 27, 2013, the Commission issued an order opening this docket titled *Order Opening Docket; Requiring KUSF Data Submissions; Procedural Schedule; Protective Order; Discovery Order; General Service Matters* (Opening Order).

2.        The Opening Order required carriers contributing to the Kansas Universal Service Fund (KUSF) and carriers receiving KUSF funds to file certain data in the docket by October 18, 2013 and deliver the same data electronically to Commission Staff (Staff).

3.        On October 18, 2013, WestLink Communications, LLC (WestLink) and United Wireless Communications, Inc. (United Wireless) collectively filed a motion to extend the required filing date from October 18, 2013 to October 25, 2013 for their submissions.

4.        WestLink and United Wireless’s motion states that United Wireless acquired WestLink on August 9, 2013. The motion states that due to the acquisition, WestLink and United Wireless were both transitioned to a new billing system which the companies are still

becoming accustomed to. The motion also states that a key person involved in the task of making the required data submissions has been ill and unable to work, and a family emergency occurred on October 18, 2013 further affecting the work.

5. WestLink and United Wireless have communicated their issues with Staff, and Staff does not object to the requested extension.

6. K.A.R. 82-1-217(b) allows the Commission discretion to grant extensions for good cause shown.

7. The Commission finds that under the circumstances described above, the extension should be granted.

**IT IS, THEREFORE, BY THE COMMISSION ORDERED THAT:**

A. The motion for an extension of time from October 18, 2013 to October 25, 2013 filed by WestLink and United Wireless is granted.

B. The parties have fifteen (15) days, plus three (3) days if service of this order is by mail, from the date this order was served in which to petition the Commission for reconsideration of any issue or issues decided herein. K.S.A. 66-118b; K.S.A. 77-529(a)(1).

C. The Commission retains jurisdiction over the subject matter and parties for the purpose of issuing such further order, or orders, as it may deem necessary.

**BY THE COMMISSION IT IS SO ORDERED.**

Sievers, Chmn.; Wright, Com.; Albrecht, Com.

Dated: OCT 22 2013

  
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Kim Christiansen  
Executive Director

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I, the undersigned, hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the above and foregoing Order Granting Extension of Time was served by electronic service on this 22nd day of October, 2013, to the following parties who have waived receipt of follow-up hard copies.

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