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Chief Clerk Kansas Corporation Commission Utilities Division 1500 SW Arrowhead Road Topeka, Kansas 66604-4027

Re: Docket No. 17-GIMT-008-GIT;

Dear Sir or Madam:

On behalf of our client, Boomerang Wireless, LLC we file the attached Traffic Factor Methodology of Boomerang Wireless, LLC for Allocation of Revenues to the Kansas Intrastate Jurisdiction. Our client is requesting use of the traffic study methodology described in the attached pleading to calculate its 2017 and 2018 assessments. Please contact me directly should you have any questions or comments regarding this matter, or need additional information. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Andrew Sipson 3B

J. Andrew Gipson

JAG/ssb Attachment

cc: Sandy Reams Julia Redman-Carter

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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 Nineteenth Year of the Kansas Universal Service Fund

Docket No. 17-GIMT-008-GIT

TRAFFIC FACTOR METHODOLOGY OF BOOMERANG WIRELESS, LLC FOR ALLOCATION OF REVENUES TO THE KANSAS INTRASTATE JURISDICTION

COMES NOW, Boomerang Wireless, LLC, ("Petitioner" or "Boomerang") through its undersigned counsel, and herein submits the following information requested by the Commission in the above designated matter.

From the time Boomerang began offering Lifeline service in Kansas as an Eligible Telecommunications Carrier ("ETC"), for purposes of the Kansas Universal Service Fund ("KUSF") Boomerang has relied on the inverse of the safe harbor percentage factor as submitted by Boomerang to the Federal Universal Service Fund. Ready Wireless, an affiliate of Boomerang, provides services to Boomerang which includes billing record services.

In January 2017, Ready Wireless began using a traffic study to determine the Percent Interstate Usage ("PIU") rather than using the intrastate safe harbor of 62.9%. Per the traffic study for 2017, the Boomerang PIU was 14%, which left 86% for intrastate. This was reflected on the 499 for all of 2017 for the entire Boomerang customer base.

During 2017, Ready Wireless also implemented an "Optimization" process that separates voice services from data and text services. As such, Boomerang pays into KUSF based on voice services that are subject to the KUSF surcharge. The Optimization process was applied by Ready Wireless at mid-year 2017 and was in full use in November 2017.

Effective January 13, 2018, Ready Wireless completed a new traffic study for 2018. According to this traffic study, Boomerang's PIU is 14.8%. Thus, for 2018, Boomerang proposes to use the inverse percentage of 85.2% for intrastate.

WHEREFORE, Petitioner respectfully requests the Commission receive this pleading and the accompanying affidavit and grant Boomerang's request to use the traffic study methodology described herein for 2017 and 2018. Petitioner further requests such other relief as may be necessary and appropriate under these circumstances.

Respectfully submitted,

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I, Julia Redman-Carter, am the Compliance Officer of Boomerang Wireless, LLC and am authorized to sign on the company's behalf. The foregoing Petition is true and correct to the best of my information, knowledge and belief.

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Dated: 3/10/2018

Sworn to and subscribed before me this <u>b</u> day of <u>March</u>, 2018. Notary Public *Lori* aller

My Commission expires: 3/24/20 30

