

THE STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION  
OF THE STATE OF KANSAS

Before Commissioners:                    Mark Sievers, Chairman  
    Ward Loyd  
    Thomas E. Wright

In the Matter of the Audit of Windstream    )  
NuVox Kansas, Inc. by the Kansas Universal    )  
Service Fund Administrator Pursuant to K.S.A.    )  
2010 Supp. 66-2010(b) to Verify Contributions    ) Docket No. 12-NVCC-026-KSF  
to the Kansas Universal Service Fund Year 14,    )  
March 1, 2010 through February 28, 2011.    )

**ORDER ASSESSING COSTS**

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

1.       K.S.A. 66-1502 authorizes the Commission to assess the expenses of an investigation, opened on its own motion, against public utilities if the expenses reasonably attributable to such investigation exceed the sum of \$100. The Commission will use members of its Staff in this investigation, and as deemed appropriate by the Commission, employ special assistants and consultants to investigate all matters connected with this proceeding. The Commission finds that the expenses reasonably attributable to this investigation will exceed \$100. The Commission concludes that the costs of this proceeding should be assessed to Windstream NuVox Kansas, Inc. This order constitutes notice of the assessment of costs and the assessment will begin three days after the date this order is mailed. Windstream NuVox Kansas, Inc. may request a hearing as to the necessity of the investigation or the assessment of costs, in accordance with the provisions of the Kansas Administrative Procedures Act.

IT IS, THEREFORE, BY THE COMMISSION ORDERED THAT:

A. Windstream NuVox Kansas, Inc. is assessed the costs of this investigation pursuant to K.S.A. 66-1502.

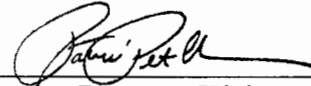
B. The parties have fifteen days, plus three days if service of this order is by mail, from the date this order was served in which to petition the Commission for reconsideration of any issue or issues decided in this order. K.S.A. 66-118b; K.S.A. 2010 Supp. 77-529(a)(1).

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

BY THE COMMISSION IT IS SO ORDERED.

Sievers, Chmn.; Loyd, Com.; Wright, Com.

Dated:     **JUL 21 2011**    



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Patrice Petersen-Klein  
Executive Director

Crh/vj

ORDER MAILED JUL 22 2011

PLEASE FORWARD THE ATTACHED DOCUMENT (S) ISSUED IN THE ABOVE-REFERENCED DOCKET TO THE FOLLOWING:

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The Docket Room hereby certified that on this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_, it caused a true and correct copy of the attached ORDER to be deposited in the United States Mail, postage prepaid, and addressed to the above persons.