THE STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF KANSAS

Before	Comm	iss	ioners:

Shari Feist Albrecht, Chair Jay Scott Emler Pat Apple

In the Matter of the Audit of United Telephone) of Kansas d/b/a CenturyLink (TOLL/IXC) by) the Kansas Universal Service Fund (KUSF)) Administrator Pursuant to K.S.A. 2014 Supp.) 66-2010(b) for KUSF Operating Year 18, Fiscal) Year March 2014-February 2015)

Docket No. 16-UTDT-041-KSF

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 utilize 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 United Telephone of Kansas d/b/a CenturyLink (TOLL/IXC). This order constitutes notice of the assessment of costs and the assessment will begin three days after the date this order is mailed. United Telephone of Kansas d/b/a CenturyLink (TOLL/IXC) is given notice that they 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 Procedure Act.

IT IS, THEREFORE, BY THE COMMISSION ORDERED THAT:

A. United Telephone of Kansas d/b/a CenturyLink (TOLL/IXC) is assessed the costs of this investigation.

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 herein. 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.

Albrecht, Chair; Emler, Commissioner; Apple, Commissioner

Dated: _____ JUL 3 0 2015

ORDER MAILED JUL 3 1 2015 Amy L. Gilbert

Secretary

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ORDER MAILED JUL 3 1 2015

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.