BEFORE THE STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF KANSAS

In the Matter of an Investigation to Determine the)	
Affordable Local Service Rate for Rate-of-Return)	Docket No. 23-GIMT-261-GIT
Regulated Carriers and the Annual Assessment)	
Rate for the Twenty-Seventh Year of the Kansas)	
Universal Service Fund, Effective March 1, 2023)	

ENTRY OF APPEARANCE AND CONSENT TO ELECTRONIC SERVICE

COMES NOW James P. Zakoura and Connor A. Thompson and hereby enters their appearance as counsel for the following companies:

United Telephone Company of Kansas, United Telephone Company of Eastern Kansas, United Telephone Company of Southcentral Kansas, and Embarq Missouri, Inc.,¹

doing business as Brightspeed²,³,⁴ (hereinafter referred to as "United"). Additionally, United consents to electronic service and directs that all future correspondence and service of notices, pleadings, testimony, briefs, orders, and other filings be directed to the following email addresses:

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¹ Collectively referred to as United Telephone Companies of Kansas.

² On July 1, 2009, CenturyTel Inc. and Embarq Corporation completed its merger. On September 17, 2009, the United Telephone Companies filed a Notification of Fictitious Name Change notifying the Commission that the fictitious names have changed from "Embarq" to "CenturyLink."

³ On October 3, 2022, Brightspeed begun operations as a new company following the completion of the previously announced acquisition of incumbent local exchange carrier (ILEC) assets and associated operations across 20 states, including Kansas, from Lumen Technologies (fka CenturyLink) (NYSE: LUMN) by Apollo-managed funds (NYSE: APO).

⁴ The United Telephone Companies of Kansas is intending to change its name to align with the Brightspeed brand and will make the necessary KCC formal name change filings no later than April 1, 2023.

Respectfully submitted,

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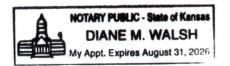
STATE OF KANSAS)
) ss
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I, James P. Zakoura, hereby certify under penalty of perjury pursuant to K.S.A. 53-601 that I am an attorney for the companies listed above and that the foregoing is true and correct.

James P. Zakowa

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 6th day of October, 2022.

Notary Public





CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

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