#### THE STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF KANSAS

Before Commissioners:

Pat Apple, Chairman Shari Feist Albrecht Jay Scott Emler

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In the Matter of the Audit of Rainbow Communications, L.L.C. by the Kansas Universal Service Fund (KUSF) Administrator Pursuant to K.S.A. 2015 Supp. 66-2010(b) for KUSF Operating Year 19, Fiscal Year March 2015-February 2016.

) Docket No.17-RCOT-027-KSF) (CLEC)

# **ORDER ADOPTING AUDIT REPORT AND CLOSING DOCKET**

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 record, and being duly advised in the premises, the Commission finds and concludes as follows:

On August 2, 2016, the Commission directed GVNW Consulting, Inc. (GVNW)
to perform an audit of Rainbow Communications, L.L.C. (Rainbow Communications)<sup>1</sup> for
Kansas Universal Service Fund (KUSF) purposes.

2. On April 21, 2017, GVNW filed its Audit Report of even date indicating its findings that Rainbow Communications is current with its KUSF obligations and that one reporting deficiency was found. The applicable reporting standard and Audit Finding include the following:

## <u>Audit Finding No. 1</u>:

<u>Standard</u>: Other miscellaneous charges, including non-recurring late payment charges, service initiation, activation, disconnection and early termination charges, return check charges, and other customer charges are to be included in assessable revenues reported to the KUSF.<sup>2</sup>

Finding: Rainbow did not report non-recurring late payment charge revenues to the KUSF. As a result, the company under-reported KUSF revenues, effective

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Ref: Company Code 5689, Audit-selected Affiliate of Company Code Nos. 1290 & 1291.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> KUSF Carrier Remittance Worksheet (CRW) Instructions March 2015-February 2016 (FY 19), page 11.

March 2015 and through January 2017 and owed an additional \$674.85 to the KUSF.<sup>3</sup> The company corrected the error effective with the February 2017 data reported in March 2017.<sup>4</sup>

GVNW states that on March 27, 2017, Rainbow submitted the Audit True-ups for Operating Years 19 and 20 (March 2016-February 2017) and paid an additional \$674.85 to the KUSF on April 4, 2017, bringing the company into compliance with the foregoing reporting standard. Inasmuch as Rainbow is now compliant with Audit Finding No. 1, GVNW recommends the Commission adopt the findings of its Audit Report and close this docket.

3. The Commission has reviewed GVNW's April 21, 2017 Audit Report and concludes that it should adopt the same and close this docket.

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

A. The Commission accepts and adopts GVNW Consulting, Inc.'s Audit Report filed April 21, 2017. This docket is hereby closed.

B. The Commission retains jurisdiction over Rainbow Communications, L.L.C. and the subject matter of this Docket for the purpose of issuing such additional orders as it may deem necessary.

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

Apple, Chairman; Albrecht, Commissioner; Emler, Commissioner

Dated: APR 2 7 2017

Secretary to the Commission

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<sup>3</sup> Rainbow Communications DR Response 13.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Audit Report, page 2.

## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

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I, the undersigned, certify that the true copy of the attached Order has been served to the following parties by means of

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