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June 29, 2018

Lynn M. Retz, Secretary Kansas Corporation Commission 1500 Arrowhead Rd Topeka, KS 66604

RE:

Docket 18-GIMT-394-GIT Section 254(e) certifications

Calleer & Jamison

Dear Ms. Retz:

On behalf of S&T Communications LLC., attached please find for filing in Docket No. 18-GIMT-394-GIT the 254(e) certifications required by the Commission to be filed in this docket by July 2, 2018.

In this filing, Attachments 3a and 4 have been marked as confidential; this information is confidential commercial information and, as such, its disclosure to any person other than the company, the Commission, and Staff is prohibited by K.S.A. 66-1220a. The Commission has not issued a protective order in this docket. As always, if you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Cordially yours,

Colleen R. Jamison

cc: Zack Odell

Encl.

## THE STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF KANSAS

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Commissioner Jay Scott Emler Commissioner Pat Apple

In the Matter of Certification of Compliance	)		
with Section 254(e) of the Federal	)		
Telecommunications Act of 1996 and	)	Docket No.	18-GIMT-394-GIT
Certification of Appropriate Use of Kansas	)		
Universal Service Fund Support.	)		

# SECTION 254(e) CERTIFICATION FEDERAL HIGH-COST UNIVERSAL SERVICE SUPPORT FCC Docket Reference: CC Docket No. 96-45 and KANSAS UNIVERSAL SERVICE FUND SUPPORT

(Please type or print legibly)
(Circle all appropriate support received)

- 1. My title is <u>CEO</u> of <u>S&T Communications LLC</u>. In this capacity, I am in a position of authority to direct how federal high-cost Universal Service Fund (USF), Connect America Fund (CAF) support, and/or Kansas Universal Service Fund (KUSF) support received will be used and by this certification I am binding <u>S&T Communications LLC</u> to the statements made in this certification.
- 2. <u>S&T Communications LLC</u> was named as an eligible telecommunications carrier by the Kansas Corporation Commission (KCC) for federal support purposes in Docket No. <u>10-S&CT-564-ETC</u> by order dated <u>October 13, 2010</u> and KUSF support purposes in Docket No. <u>10-S&CT-564-ETC</u> by order dated October 13, 2010.
- 3. By this affidavit, I certify that the USF, CAF and/or KUSF received by <u>S&T</u> Communications LLC was used in the proceeding calendar year <u>2017</u> and will be used in the new calendar year <u>2019</u> only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended, consistent with Section 254(e) of the Telecommunications Act, and/or Kansas statutes and KCC requirements.

#### **Attachment 1**

I certify under penalty of perjury under the laws of the state of Kansas that the foregoing is true and correct.

(Pursuant to Kan. Stat. Ann. 53-601.)

Zack Odell Printed/Typed Name

Executed on <u>6.27.2618</u> date.

Email address: zack.odell@sttelcom.com

#### Competitive ETC Investment and Expense Test for USF Certification

18-GIMT-394-GIT Attachment 3a

Company Name : <u>S&amp;T CC</u>	OMMUNICATIO	NS LLC		-			
All CETCs must complete this form to receive certification for	its use of FUSF a	nd KUSF suppo	ort nursuant	to 47 C F R & 54 31	4 Kansas statu	ites and KCO	Requirements
Please attach additional pages if necessary. If you have any que					i, italious state	ites, una rec	e requirements.
Data Year	2017						
	AMOUNT FOR KANSAS	ALLOCATION PERCENT	FUSF CODE (see Notes)	AMOUNT FOR FUSF AREAS (Excluding SWBT Area)	ALLOCATION PERCENT	KUSF CODE (see Notes)	AMOUNT FOR KUSF AREAS (Including SWBT Area)
FUSF WORKING LOOPS/LINES KUSF SUPPORTED LINES	Α	В	С	D=AxB	E	F	G = AxE
NEW INVESTMENTS:  1. SWITCHING  2. OUTSIDE PLANT (LOCAL LOOPS, CELL SITES)(1) SUBTOTAL NEW INVESTMENTS	14.			\$ -			\$ -
EXPENSES:  3. SWITCH MAINTENANCE  4. OUTSIDE PLANT MAINTENANCE  5. NETWORK SUPPORT  6. ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSE  SUBTOTAL EXPENSES	**						- - - -
A. TOTAL CASH EXPENDITURES ASSD WITH USF				\$ -			\$ -
B. CERTIFIED FUSF RECEIPTS FOR CETCS B1. Frozen High Cost Support B2. Mobility Fund Support B3. Rural Broadband Experiments Fund B4. Total Certified Federal USF Receipts				\$ -			\$ -
C. KUSF RECEIPTS				\$ -			\$ -
D. TOTAL FUSF AND/OR KUSF				\$ -			\$ -
E. DO EXPENDITURES EXCEED FUSF RECEIPTS? (negative number means FUSF exceeds Expenditures)				\$ -			\$ -
F. DO EXPENDITURES EXCEED FUSF and/or KUSF RECEIPTS? (negative number means KUSF exceeds Expenditures) No				\$ -		No	\$ -
Notes: 1) Exclude the cost of transport between switches (dial-tone and/or ta	ndem).						
2) Allocation Codes (describe how the costs are allocated): [the follows.a. Based on number of switched MOUs from USF supported cell sites.b. Based on actual expenditures at USF cell sites. An allocation of US (i.e. 200,000 investment at Cell Site A, which serves 80% USF supports. Based on percent of USF served areas to all areas.	SF area to total ser	ved area is appli	ed at each ce	II site.			
Contact Name: ZACK O	DELL	Title: C	CEO				
Phone No.:785	5-694-2256	E-Mail: <u>z</u>	cack.odell@st	telcom.com			

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### **Narrative Report for New Investments**

Company Name: S&T Communications LLC

NOTES:

ETC Certification for Use of USF Support Provided to the Kansas Corporation Commission

Data Year:	2017	-			
Town or Exchange	Description of Improvement	Cash Investment	Allocation	Notes	Amount Used in the USF Supported Areas
A	В	С	D	Е	F= C x D
Subtotal					
Total		CHARLES .			and the same

6/29/2018

(245 & 255).

Contact: Daniel Meszler

Title: Senior Regulatory Consultant

This total amount should match the New Investment

Phone No.: 71-266-4334

Subtotal on the USF Certification Form - Attachment 2a LINES

E-Mail: dmeszler@tcatel.com

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## **Narrative Report for New Investments**

ETC Certification for Use of **USF** Support Provided to the Kansas Corporation Commission

Carrier Name:	S&T Communications LLC	Supplemental
Data Year:	2017	Pages

		Cash	Allocation		Amount U in the US Support
Town or Exchange	Description of Improvement	Investment	% D	Notes	Areas
Α	В	С	D	E	F= C x
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Subtotal 0 0

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# Annual ETC Certification of Requirements Imposed by the Commission in Docket Number 06-GIMT-446-GIT

1. All ETCs must provide detailed information on any outage in the prior calendar year, as that term is defined in 47 CFR 4.5, of at least 30 minutes in duration for each service area in which an eligible telecommunications carrier is designated for any facilities it owns, operates, leases, or otherwise utilizes that potentially affect: (i) at least 10% of the end users served in a designated service area; or (ii) a 911 specialty facility as defined in

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17	<b>CFR</b>	1 5	(0)	
4/	CLV	4.0		١.

Date and time of Onset of the Outage	Description of the Outage and its Resolution	Particular services affected	Geographic Areas Affected	Steps Taken to Prevent a Similar Situation in the Future	Number of Customers Affected
4/29/17	Blizzard- generators went down and battery backups lost functionality	INTERNET/PHONE	Oakley	Monthly Maintenance & testing of equipment were implemented	1095

(If necessary, please provide additional pages.)

recipient's service	the number of requests for service from potential customers within the e areas that were unfulfilled during the prior calendar year. If explain how your company attempted to provide service to those s.
	NONE
3. Please provide prior calendar yea	he number of complaints per 1,000 connections (fixed or mobile) in the
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4. A wireline ETC must certify that it is in compliance with the Commission's quality of service standards and a wireless ETC must certify that it is in compliance with the CTIA Code. Please complete the following, as applicable to your company:

#### QUALITY OF SERVICE WIRELINE ANNUAL CERTIFICATION KCC Docket Reference: 06-GIMT-446-GIT

(Please type or print legibly)

- 1. My title is CEO of the S&T Communications LLC. In this capacity, I am in a position of authority to certify whether the Company/ Cooperative is complying with required quality of service standards. I am binding S&T Communications LLC to the statements made in this certification.
- 2. By this affidavit, I certify that S&T Communications LLC is in compliance with the Commission's quality of service standards as adopted in Docket No. 191,206-U.

I certify under penalty of perjury under the laws of the state of Kansas that the foregoing is true and correct. (Pursuant to Kan. Stat. Ann. 53-601.) Executed on 6. 27. 2018

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Signature

Zack Odell

Printed/Typed Name

#### QUALITY OF SERVICE WIRELESS ANNUAL CERTIFICATION KCC Docket Reference: 06-GIMT-446-GIT (Please type or print legibly)

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1. My ti	itle is	of the	
(Company/ Cooperative	e). In this capacity, I am	n in a position of authority to certify	y whether the
Company/ Cooperative	is complying with requ	ired quality of service standards.	I am binding
	_(Company/Cooperative) t	o the statements made in this certification	tion.
2. By this	s affidavit, I certify that _	(Company/ C	cooperative) is
in compliance with the C	CTIA Code.		
I certify under	penalty of perjury under the	he laws of the state of Kansas that th	e foregoing is
true and correct. (Pursu	ant to Kan. Stat. Ann. 53-6	501.) Executed on	(date).
		Signature	
		Print / Typed Name	

**5.** Each ETC must certify that it will be able to function in an emergency as set forth in 47 CFR § 54.202(a)(2).

# ABILITY TO FUNCTION IN AN EMERGENCY ANNUAL CERTIFICATION KCC Docket Reference: 06-GIMT-446-GIT

(Please type or print legibly)

- 1. My title is <u>CEO</u> of the <u>S&T Communications LLC</u>. In this capacity, I am in a position of authority to certify whether the Company/ Cooperative is able to function in an emergency. I am binding <u>S&T Communications LLC</u> to the statements made in this certification.
- 2. By this affidavit, I certify that <u>S&T Communications LLC</u> is capable of functioning in an emergency.

I certify under penalty of perjury under the laws of the state of Kansas that the foregoing is true and correct. (Pursuant to Kan. Stat. Ann. 53-601.) Executed on

6. 27. 2418 (date).

Signature

Zack Odell

Printed / Typed Name

6. 47 U.S.C. § 214(e)(1)(B) requires every ETC to advertise its services throughout the service area for which it has been designated "using media of general distribution." Please complete the following:

Name of Media	Type of Media	Geographic Areas Reached	Dates Published
S&T WEBSITE	INTERNET	WORLDWIDE	24/7/365
S&T ANNUAL PHONE DIRECTORY	PRINT	Brewster, Colby, Dighton, Goodland, Grinnell, Kanorado, Levant, Menlo, Russell Springs, Winona, Atwood, Bird City, Gove, Grainfield, Hoxie, Leoti, McDonald, Oakley, Sequin, Sharon Springs, Tribune, Wallace, & Weskan – customers and non-customers receive the directory in the mail as long as they have a mailing address with the post office	NOVEMBER

KGCR-FM	RADIO	NORTHWEST KANSAS	VARIES
KRDQ	RADIO	NORTHWEST KANSAS	VARIES
KWGB-FM	RADIO	NORTHWEST KANSAS	VARIES
KXXX/KQLS	RADIO	NORTHWEST KANSAS	VARIES
KLOE AM	RADIO	NORTHWEST KANSAS	VARIES
S&T Media	CATV	SERVICE AREAS	VARIES
Various	NEWSPAPERS	NORTHWEST KANSAS	VARIES
OPEN SPACES	RADIO	NORTHWEST KANSAS	MONTHLY

(If necessary, please attach additional pages.)

7. A competitive ETC must certify that it offers a local usage plan comparable to that of the incumbent. Please provide a description of the local usage plan(s) that is comparable to that of the incumbent and complete the certification.

Residential PKG LD Unlimited, Business PKG LD 1000, Business PKG LD 1500, Business PKG LD 3000, Business PKG LD 5000, Business PKG LD 7500

# COMPARABLE LOCAL USAGE PLAN ANNUAL CERTIFICATION KCC Docket Reference: 06-GIMT-446-GIT

(Please type or print legibly)

- My title is <u>CEO</u> of the <u>S&T Communications LLC</u>. In this capacity, I am in a position of authority to certify whether the Company/ Cooperative offers a local usage plan comparable to that of the incumbent. I am binding <u>S&T Communications LLC</u> to the statements made in this certification.
- 2. By this affidavit, I certify that <u>S&T Communications LLC</u> offers a local usage plan comparable to that of the incumbent.

I certify under penalty of perjury under the laws of the state of Kansas that the foregoing is true and correct. (Pursuant to Kan. Stat. Ann. 53-601.) Executed on 6.27.2618 (date).

Signature

Zack Odell

Printed/Typed Name