THE STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION **OF THE STATE OF KANSAS**

Dwight D. Keen, Chair Shari Feist Albrecht Susan K. Duffy

In the Matter of the Audit of Q Link Wireless,) LLC by the Kansas Universal Service Fund) (KUSF) Administrator Pursuant to K.S.A.) 2017 Supp. 66-2010(b) for KUSF Operating) Year 22, Fiscal Year March 2018-February 2019.

Docket No. 20-QLWZ-064-KSF

ORDER GRANTING UNOPPOSED REQUEST FOR CONFIDENTIAL TREATMENT OF DATA RESPONSES

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This matter comes before the State Corporation Commission of the State of Kansas (Commission) for consideration and decision. Having reviewed the pleadings and record, the Commission makes the following findings:

1. On August 15, 2019, the Commission directed GVNW Consulting, Inc. (GVNW),

the Kansas Universal Service Fund (KUSF) third party administrator, to perform a routine audit

of Q Link Wireless, LLC (Q Link) pursuant to K.S.A. 66-2010(b).¹

2. On September 19, 2019, Q Link filed a Request for Confidential Treatment of Data Responses 14 (a-c), claiming its responses would include highly confidential and sensitive subscriber-specific information including name, address, last four digits of social security number, date of birth, proprietary eligibility information relating to government assistance program,

participation or proof of income, and customer-specific account usage information.² Disclosure

of such Protected Information, which could cause irreparable harm to its subscribers.³

¹ Order to KUSF Administrator to Commence Audit of O Link Wireless, LLC and Order Setting Procedure Schedule (Order), Aug. 15, 2019; See K.S.A. 66-2002(h), (The Commission is charged with establishing and administering the KUSF).

² Request for Confidential Treatment of Data Responses 14 (a-c), Sept. 19, 2019, p. 1.

 $^{^{3}}$ Id.

3. Staff has not objected to Q Link's request for confidential treatment.

4. Q Link has provided a written explanation of the confidential nature of its discovery responses and the potential harm that disclosure would cause, as required by K.A.R. 82-1-221a(a)(5). Pursuant to K.S.A. 66-1220a and K.A.R. 82-1-221a, the Commission grants Q Link's Request for Confidential Treatment of its Responses Data Requests 14 (a-c).

THEREFORE, THE COMMISSION ORDERS:

A. Q Link's request for Confidential Treatment of its Responses Data Requests 14 (ac) is granted.

B. Any party may file and serve a petition for reconsideration pursuant to the requirements and time limits established by K.S.A. 77-529(a)(1).⁴

C. The Commission retains jurisdiction over the subject matter and parties to enter further orders as it deems necessary.

BY THE COMMISSION IT IS SO ORDERED.

Keen, Chair; Albrecht, Commissioner; Duffy, Commissioner

Dated: _____

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Lynn M. Retz Executive Director

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⁴K.S.A. 66-118b; K.S.A. 77-503(c); K.S.A. 77-531(b).

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

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

electronic service on 12/31/2019

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