December 12, 2024

via Alternative Electronic Filing

Ms. Sally Tanner
Executive Secretary
Georgia Public Service Commission
244 Washington Street, S.W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30334

Dear Ms. Tanner:

On behalf of Nelson-Ball Ground Telephone Company ("Company"), please find enclosed electronic copies of the financial information required for filing a request for High Cost funding from the Universal Access Fund. The required notification of election is also included in this letter. This filing is made in accordance with Commission Orders in Docket Number 32235 and the Alternative Electronic Filing Procedures established as of March 17, 2020. The required paper copies, both public disclosure and trade secret, will be filed by the Company at a later date, either once the Alternative Electronic Filing Procedure policy has been discontinued or upon request by the Commission.

In accordance with the process established by the Commission, the Company, a Rate of Return regulated Tier 2 incumbent local exchange carrier, submits the following financial data:

Tab 1	Earnings Report
Tab 2	Form M (Balance Sheet and Income Statement) as of June 30, 2024
Tab 3	A copy of the actual 2023 Interstate Cost Study (including jurisdictional separations factors and revenue allocations for the twelve months ending June 30, 2024) from the company's most recent cost study (12/31/23). **Please note that this information is being filed as a Trade Secret Under Section 515-3-1-.11.**
Tab 4	Supporting Cost Study workpapers **Please note that this information is being filed as a Trade Secret Under Section 515-3-1-.11.**
Tab 5	Subjective support for booking decisions relative to regulated and non-regulated entries, as well as Federal and State entries.
Tab 6	Affiliate Transactions – cost and market analysis **Please note that this information is being filed as a Trade Secret Under Section 515-3-1-.11.**
Tab 7	Enhanced Filing Requirements: Tab 7.1 Trial balances **Please note that this information is being filed as a Trade Secret Under Section 515-3-1-.11.**

Tab 7.2 Audited financial reports
Tab 7.3 Depreciation rates
Tab 7.4 Cost Allocation Manual
Please note that this information is being filed as a Trade Secret Under Section 515-3-1-.11.
Tab 7.5 Support for basic residential local rates
Please note that this information is being filed as a Trade Secret Under Section 515-3-1-.11.
Tab 7.6 Support for impact of HB 168
Tab 7.7 National broadband stimulus grant information

An affidavit signed by a responsible company official attesting to the validity and correctness of financial data provided for evaluation is submitted with this letter.

The request for Trade Secret Treatment under 515-3-1-.11 is also submitted with this letter.

The financial information submitted reflects the regulated entity only and is in a form and detail of schedules filed by the Company per their Form M.

Notification of Election: Nelson-Ball Ground Telephone Company's election is to have its application for Universal Access Fund High Cost Fund Year 30 distribution reviewed in accordance with the Track 2 procedures.

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call me at 608.664.4410.

Sincerely,

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