# OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of DISH Wireless LLC	)	
Application for Designation as an Eligible	)	
Telecommunications Carrier in the State of	) <u>F</u>	ile No. RA-2023-0381
Missouri for the Limited Purpose of Providing	) _	
Lifeline Service to Qualifying Customers	)	

### STAFF'S RECOMMENDATION

**COMES NOW** the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission ("Staff"), by and through counsel, and for its *Recommendation*, states the following:

- 1. On May 5, 2023, DISH Wireless LLC ("DISH Wireless" or "Company") requested that the Missouri Public Service Commission ("Commission") designate it as an eligible telecommunications carrier ("ETC") for the purpose of providing Lifeline service to qualifying Missouri consumers under the brand name "Gen Mobile."
- 2. On May 9, 2023, the Commission ordered Staff to file its *Recommendation* no later than June 8, 2023.
- 3. Commission rule 20 CSR4240-31.016 governs ETC requirements that applicants must meet. Staff reviewed the company's request for compliance with 20 CSR 4240-31.016 as well as federal requirements. The company adequately met all ETC application requirements. Staff therefore supports the Company's application for ETC status.

**WHEREFORE**, Commission grant statewide ETC status to DISH Wireless, LLC d/b/a Gen Mobile for the purpose of providing federal low-income support.

Respectfully submitted,

### /s/ Eric Vandergriff

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## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing have been mailed or hand-delivered, transmitted by facsimile or electronically mailed to all parties and/or counsel of record on this 7<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2023.

/s/ Eric Vandergriff

#### MEMORANDUM

**To:** Missouri Public Service Commission Official Case File

Case No. RA-2023-0381

From: Kari Salsman, Senior Research/Data Analyst

Telecommunications Department

**Subject:** Staff's Recommendation to Approve DISH Wireless, LLC d/b/a

Gen Mobile's Request for ETC Designation

**Date:** June 7, 2023

On May 5, 2023 DISH Wireless, LLC d/b/a Gen Mobile (Gen Mobile)) filed an application for designation as an Eligible Telecommunications Carrier (ETC) for the purpose of receiving federal low-income support and is requesting ETC designation on a statewide basis. The company is a wireless service provider and is not certificated or registered by the Missouri Commission.

Federal authority enables state commissions to grant ETC status to a company.<sup>1</sup> Missouri's ETC application requirements are contained in existing Missouri Commission rule 20 CSR 4240-31.016. Staff reviewed the company's request for compliance with Missouri's rule as well as federal requirements. In Staff's opinion the company has adequately met all ETC application requirements. Consequently Staff supports the company's application for ETC status.

Staff recommends the Commission grant statewide ETC status to DISH Wireless, LLC d/b/a Gen Mobile for the purpose of receiving federal low-income support.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> 47 U.S.C. §214(e)(2) and FCC rule §54.201.