

**STATE OF MISSOURI  
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

At a session of the Public Service Commission held in its office in Jefferson City on the 19<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2021.

In the Matter of the Application of Barry )  
Technology Services LLC, for Expansion of its )  
Designation as a Telecommunications Carrier ) **File No. TA-2021-0336**  
Eligible for Federal Universal Service Support )  
Pursuant to the Telecommunications Act of 1996 )

**ORDER GRANTING EXPANDED DESIGNATION AS  
AN ELIGIBLE TELECOMMUNICATIONS CARRIER**

Issue Date: May 19, 2021

Effective Date: June 18, 2021

On April 6, 2021, Barry Technology Services, LLC (Barry Technology) filed its application for expansion of its designation as a wireless Eligible Telecommunications Carrier (ETC) designation.<sup>1</sup> Barry Technology was recently awarded federal Rural Digital Opportunity Fund (RDOF) support to build broadband facilities in more rural areas. The RDOF funding requires Barry Technology to extend broadband service to a designated number of locations in a certain census block. Barry Technology seeks to expand its ETC designation to include the census block it was awarded.

The Commission issued notice and set a deadline for intervention. No person or entity sought intervention in this matter, and no party has requested a hearing.

The Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission (Staff) conducted an investigation and on May 6, 2021, filed its recommendation and memorandum. Staff recommended that the Commission approve Barry Technology's request for designation

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<sup>1</sup> Barry is presently registered as an interexchange telecommunications service provider.

as an eligible telecommunications carrier for the purpose of receiving federal high-cost and low-income support for census blocks identified in the application. Staff stated Barry Technology met the requirements of Commission Rule 20 CSR 4240-31.016 governing eligible telecommunications carriers. Staff notes that Barry Technology requests a waiver of the 60-day notice requirement of Commission Rule 20 CSR 4240-4.017, and recommends that such waiver be granted.

Under federal authority, the application is within the Commission's jurisdiction to decide.<sup>2</sup> Since no law requires a hearing, this is a non-contested case.<sup>3</sup> Non-contested cases do not require formal proceedings or hearings before the Commission, and as such, there is no evidentiary record.<sup>4</sup> Consequently, the Commission bases its decision on the verified filings.

Based upon its review of the verified application and Staff's recommendation and memorandum, the Commission finds that Barry Technology has met the requirements for ETC designation. Further, for good cause shown, Barry Technology will be granted a waiver of the 60-day filing requirement of the Commission's rules.

**THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:**

1. Barry Technology's application is granted. Barry Technology is granted ETC designation for the purpose of receiving federal high-cost and low-income support in the census block group listed in its application.

2. Barry Technology is granted a waiver of the 60-day notice requirement of Commission Rule 20 CSR 4240-4.017.

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<sup>2</sup> 47 U.S.C. § 214(e)(2).

<sup>3</sup> *In the Matter of Kansas City Power & Light Co.'s Request for Authority to Implement a General Rate Increase for Elec. Serv. v. Pub. Serv. Comm'n*, 509 S.W.3d 757, 783-784 (Mo. App. W.D. 2016).

<sup>4</sup> *State ex rel. Pub. Counsel v. Pub. Serv. Comm'n*, 210 S.W.3d 344, 353-354 (Mo. App. W.D. 2006).

3. This order shall become effective on June 18, 2021.
4. This file shall be closed on June 19, 2021.



**BY THE COMMISSION**

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Morris L. Woodruff". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Morris L. Woodruff  
Secretary

Silvey, Chm., Rupp, Coleman, Holsman, and  
Kolkmeier CC., concur.

Pridgin, Regulatory Law Judge