

**STATE OF MISSOURI  
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

At a session of the Public Service Commission held by internet and audio conference on the 28<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2021.

In the Matter of the Application of PD Fiber, LLC            )  
for Designation as an Eligible Telecommunications        )  
Carrier Pursuant to Section 214(e)(2) of the                )  
Communications Act of 1934, as Amended                 ) **File No. DA-2021-0294**

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

Issue Date: April 28, 2021

Effective Date: May 28, 2021

On March 17, 2021, PD Fiber, LLC (PD Fiber) requested authority to expand its ETC designation to be eligible to participate in the Missouri Universal Service Fund (MoUSF) and to receive MoUSF subsidies, including Lifeline and Disabled programs. The Commission recently granted PD Fiber ETC status in File No. DA-2021-0190.

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 April 20, 2021, filed its recommendation and memorandum. Staff recommended that the Commission approve PD Fiber's request for MoUSF low-income and disabled program support for the census blocks identified in Exhibits A1 and A2 of the petition filed in DA-2021-0190.

Under federal authority, the application is within the Commission's jurisdiction to decide.<sup>1</sup> Since no law requires a hearing, this is a non-contested case.<sup>2</sup> Non-contested cases do not require formal proceedings or hearings before the Commission, and as such, there is no evidentiary record.<sup>3</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 PD Fiber has met the requirements for receiving MoUSF subsidies.

**THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:**

1. PD Fiber's application is granted. PD Fiber is granted eligibility for MoUSF subsidies, including Lifeline and Disabled programs, designation in all census block groups described in Exhibits A1 and A2 to its application in File No. DA-2021-0190.
2. This order shall become effective on May 28, 2021.
3. This file shall be closed on May 29, 2021.



**BY THE COMMISSION**

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Morris L. Woodruff".

Morris L. Woodruff  
Secretary

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

Pridgin, Regulatory Law Judge

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<sup>1</sup> 47 U.S.C. § 214(e)(2).

<sup>2</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>3</sup> *State ex rel. Pub. Counsel v. Pub. Serv. Comm'n*, 210 S.W.3d 344, 353-354 (Mo. App. W.D. 2006).