BEFORE THE MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

| In the Matter of the Investigation of |) | |
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| Aristotle Unified Communications, LLC |) | |
| Related to the Connect America Fund |) | File No. TO-2023-0436 |
| Phase II Auction |) | |

ARISTOTLE'S RESPONSE TO ORDER DIRECTING FILING

Comes Now Aristotle Unified Communications Inc (Aristotle) pursuant to Commission Order and states as follows:

1. On May 10, 2024, Aristotle submitted confidential correspondence from USAC. There was a date error in that correspondence which USAC has corrected (year changed from 2023 to 2022). Additionally, as indicated in that filing, Aristotle has appealed the determinations set forth in the confidential correspondence. A copy of the appeal is filed herewith as a confidential document.¹

2. Further, on July 17, 2024 Aristotle submitted the Sec 214 application to the FCC seeking approval of the transfer to Wisper of the Missouri census blocks awarded to Aristotle under CAF II. A copy of the Application is filed herewith. Both Aristotle and Wisper will be promptly seeking orders from this Commission regarding the transfer of census blocks.

WHEREFORE, Aristotle asks the Commission to accept its Response to Order Directing Filing.

¹ Those materials are marked Confidential by USAC and are submitted on a confidential basis pursuant to 20 CSR 4240-2.135, concerning market-specific information relating to services offered in competition with others.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

The undersigned hereby certifies that a copy of the foregoing was served via email this 18th day of July, 2024 on all counsel of record.

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