

**STATE OF MISSOURI  
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

At a session of the Public Service  
Commission held in its office in  
Jefferson City on the 4<sup>th</sup> day of  
June, 2025.

In the Matter of the Petition of United Fiber, LLC     )  
For Expanded Designation as an Eligible                 )  
Telecommunications Carrier Pursuant to Section         )  
214(e)(2) of the Communications Act of 1934,            )  
As Amended   )

**File No. DA-2025-0258**

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

Issue Date: June 4, 2025

Effective Date: June 14, 2025

On March 26, 2025, United Fiber, LLC (United Fiber) filed an application for expanded designation as a wireless Eligible Telecommunications Carrier (ETC).<sup>1</sup> United Fiber and TurboNet Technologies, Inc. (TurboNet) were recently granted consent by the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) for the transfer of TurboNet's Rural Digital Opportunity Fund (RDOF) support and service obligations to United Fiber. United Fiber seeks to expand its ETC designation to these census blocks. United Fiber also wants to expand its ETC area for the sole purpose of receiving low-income support to additional service areas. Likewise, the company wishes to participate in the Missouri USF program in all areas in Missouri where United Fiber is designated as an ETC.

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<sup>1</sup> The Commission granted United Fiber ETC status in Case No. RA-2019-0087, and subsequently expanded it in Case No. DA-2021-0200.

The Commission issued notice and set a deadline for intervention. No intervention requests were received.

The Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission (Staff) investigated, and on May 12, 2025, filed its recommendation and memorandum. Staff recommended that the Commission approve United Fiber's request for designation as an eligible telecommunications carrier for the purpose of receiving both high-cost and low-income support in some areas, and only low-income support in other areas. Staff stated United Fiber met the requirements of Commission Rule 20 CSR 4240-31.016 governing eligible telecommunications carriers.

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.<sup>4</sup> Therefore, the Commission will base its decision on the verified filings in this matter.

Based upon its review of the verified application and Staff's recommendation and memorandum, the Commission finds that United Fiber has met the requirements for ETC designation. So that the ETC designation may take effect as soon as possible, the Commission finds it reasonable to make this order effective in less than 30 days.

#### **THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:**

1. United Fiber's application is granted. United Fiber is granted ETC status for the purpose of receiving federal low-income support. United Fiber shall receive both high-

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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).

cost and low-income support for the area identified in Exhibit A of United Fiber's application. United Fiber shall receive only low-income support for the area identified in Exhibit B of United Fiber's application.

2. United Fiber shall receive Missouri USF funding.
3. This order shall become effective on June 14, 2025.
4. This file shall be closed on June 15, 2025.



**BY THE COMMISSION**

*Nancy Dippell*

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Secretary

Hahn, Ch., Coleman, Kolkmeier,  
and Mitchell CC., concur.

Pridgin, Deputy Chief Regulatory Law Judge

**STATE OF MISSOURI**

**OFFICE OF THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

**I have compared the preceding copy with the original on file in this office and I do hereby certify the same to be a true copy therefrom and the whole thereof.**

**WITNESS my hand and seal of the Public Service Commission, at Jefferson City, Missouri, this 4<sup>th</sup> day of June 2025.**



*Nancy Dippell*

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**Secretary**

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***Enclosed find a certified copy of an Order or Notice issued in the above-referenced matter(s).***

***Sincerely,***



**Nancy Dippell  
Secretary**

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