BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

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

ORDER DIRECTING NOTICE, SETTING INTERVENTION DEADLINE, AND DIRECTING STAFF TO FILE A RECOMMENDATION

Issue Date: March 22, 2021 Effective Date: March 22, 2021

On January 24, 2021, PD Fiber, LLC (PD Fiber) filed its application for designation as a wireless Eligible Telecommunications Carrier.¹ The Commission granted the request on February 24, 2021.

On March 17, 2021, PD Fiber asked the Commission for authority to participate in the Missouri Universal Service Fund (MoUSF), and to receive MoUSF subsidies, including Missouri Lifeline and Disabled Programs. The Commission has opened this new file to consider the request. The Commission will direct its Data Center to issue notice of the application, set a deadline for requests to intervene, and direct the Staff of the Commission to file a recommendation.

THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

- The Commission's Data Center shall send notice of this application to all local exchange carriers certificated to provide service in Missouri.
- 2. Requests to intervene shall be filed with the Commission no later than April 5, 2021.

¹ File No. DA-2021-0190.

- 3. The Staff of the Commission shall file a recommendation no later than April 22, 2021.
 - 4. This order shall be effective when issued.



BY THE COMMISSION

Morris L. Woodruff

Secretary

Ronald D. Pridgin, Regulatory Law Judge, by delegation of authority pursuant to Section 386.240, RSMo 2016.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri, on this 22nd day of March, 2021.

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PD FIBER, LLC'S REQUEST FOR COMMISSION AUTHORITY TO PARTICIPATE IN MISSOURI UNIVERSAL SERVICE FUND

In an Order issued on February 24, 2021, in Case No. DA-2021-0190, the Commission granted PD Fiber, LLC's ("PD Fiber" or "Company") application for designation as an Eligible Telecommunications Carrier ("ETC") in certain areas of Missouri.

By this request, PD Fiber is seeking Commission authority to expand its existing ETC designation status to enable the Company to be eligible to participate in the Missouri Universal Service Fund ("MoUSF") and receive MoUSF subsidies, including the Missouri Lifeline and Disabled Programs.

All of the representations made by PD Fiber in Case No. DA-2021-0190, including all of the representations made by the Company in its Application for Designation as an ETC, remain accurate and the Company will comply with the ETC requirements identified in 4 CSR § 240-31.015.

PD Fiber remains compliant with all reporting and assessment obligations to the Commission.

PD Fiber also remains compliant with all reporting, assessment obligations and contributions to the federal Universal Service Fund.

Respectfully submitted,

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Counsel for PD Fiber, LLC

Dated: March 17, 2021

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

The undersigned certifies that a true copy of the foregoing Petition was served by electronic mail or U.S. Mail, postage prepaid, this 17th day March, 2021 upon the following:

Office of the Public Counsel 200 Madison Street, Suite 650 P.O. Box 2230 Jefferson City, Missouri 65102 opcservice@ded.mo.gov

Missouri Public Service Commission Staff Counsel Department 200 Madison Street, Suite 800 P.O. Box 360 Jefferson City, Missouri 65102 staffcounselservice@psc.mo.gov

John Hall Dalton,

AFFIDAVIT OF JACK L. DAVIS

Jack L. Davis, after being duly sworn, states the following:

- 1. I have personal knowledge of the facts and information set forth in this Affidavit and I am competent to testify to these facts if called as a witness.
- 2. I am the Interim General Manager of PD Fiber, LLC. I have read the Application to which this Affidavit is attached. I have knowledge of the facts stated in the Application and those facts are true to the best of my knowledge and my belief.
- 3. By signing this form, I hereby certify that neither I, nor any other members of this filing party, has had communications with a Commissioner, Commissioner Advisor, Regulatory Law Judge, member of the General Counsel or any member of their support team in the sixty (60) days prior to the filing date of this application regarding any substantive issue included in this filing. If any communication of this sort has occurred in the previous sixty (60) day period, I further certify this application was held until sixty (60) days have passed from the date of the subject communication, or we have requested a waiver for good cause as allowed by Commission Rule 20 CSR 4240-4.017(1)(D).

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| | | Jack L. Davis Interim General Manager PD Fiber, LLC | HILLIAN POST |
| STATE OF MISSOURI |)) ss | | Commission # 13698907 Dunklin County |
| COUNTY OF PEMISCOT |) ss | | SELLING OF MISSONIA |
| Subscribed and sworn to | before me this | 16th day of March | Son Expires 05.0 |
| | | Layle Welter | et |
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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 22nd day of March, 2021.

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Morris L. Woodruff Secretary

MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION March 22, 2021

File/Case No. DA-2021-0294

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

Sincerely,

Morris L. Woodruff Secretary

Distributed to all Local Exchange Carriers Certificated to provide Service in Missouri.

Recipients listed above with a valid e-mail address will receive electronic service. Recipients without a valid e-mail address will receive paper service.