## TENNESSEE REGULATORY AUTHORITY

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August 17, 2006

Patrick D. Crocker Early, Lennon, Crocker & Bartosiewicz, P.L.C. 900 Comerica Building Kalamazoo, Michigan 49007

Re: Docket No. 06-00191 Application of Common Pointe Networks of Tennessee, LLC for a Certificate to Provide Competing Local and Interexchange Telecommunications Services in Tennessee.

Dear Mr. Crocker:

CLEC applicants are required, by statute, to demonstrate their managerial, financial and technical abilities to provide the services for which they seek authority. To assist the Authority in its review of Common Pointe Networks of Tennessee, LLC's application for a Certificate of Convenience and Necessity to provide competing facilities-based and resold local and interexchange telecommunications services in Tennessee, you are requested to provide the following information:

- Will Common Pointe Networks of Tennessee, LLC offer local or long distance service to residential customers in Tennessee? If so, will Common Pointe Networks of Tennessee, LLC provide Lifeline and Link-Up assistance, access to telecommunications relay services and free blocking for 900/976 calls.
- 2. How does Common Pointe Networks of Tennessee, LLC intend to comply with Tenn. Code Ann. § 65-21-114, which provides that any telephone call made between two (2) points in the same county in Tennessee shall be classified as toll-free and shall not be billed to any customer? Please explain further how (technically) the company will assure these calls are not billed.
- 3. Common Pointe Networks of Tennessee, LLC states it will rely on its parent company, Common Pointe Networks, LLC for funding. Please provide a sworn statement from an officer of Common Pointe Networks, LLC that this funding is guaranteed. How will Common Pointe Networks, LLC provide this funding and under what terms? Please provide evidence of Common Pointe Networks, LLC's financial ability to provide this funding.

- 4. Has the parent company, Common Pointe Networks, LLC, or any of its affiliates listed in Exhibit A been the subject of any state or federal regulatory agency complaints? If so, please detail the complaint(s) and the resolution(s).
- 5. Please provide information regarding the duties of the Principal Officers listed in Exhibit C in regard to Common Pointe Networks of Tennessee, LLC. Specifically, what will their duties and responsibilities include at Common Pointe Networks of Tennessee, LLC?
- 6. Please provide more information regarding the technical qualifications of the company specific to planned service offerings in Tennessee and which individuals will be responsible for overseeing the provision of these services.

Please provide this information by August 31, 2006. In accordance with TRA rules, please submit either (1) thirteen written copies of your response or (2) four written copies and an electronic version and include Docket Number 06-00191 on the correspondence. If you have questions concerning this request or need additional information, please contact Lisa Foust at 615-741-2904 extension 220.

Sincerely,

Darlene Standley

**Utilities Division Chief** 

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