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November 27, 2007

H. LaDon Baltimore, Counsel  
Farrar & Bates L.L.P.  
211 Seventh Ave., N., Suite 420  
Nashville, TN 37219

RE: Docket 07-00255: Petition of Ben Lomand Rural Telephone Cooperative, Inc.; Ben Lomand Communications, Inc.; Volunteer First Services, Inc.; Ben Lomand Communications, LLC; and Volunteer First Services, LLC for Approval of an Internal Corporate Reorganization

Dear Mr. Baltimore:

In order to fully analyze the above-referenced *Petition*, the Tennessee Regulatory Authority ("TRA" or "Authority") requires additional information. Please provide the information requested below by December 3, 2007, and refer to this correspondence as Data Request No. 1 in the response.

1. Have the petitioners filed similar petitions or notices in other states? If so, provide a listing of states and action taken.
2. Have the petitioners filed a similar petition with the FCC? If so, list any action taken and the associated docket number. If a schedule to complete the review of your petition has been established by the FCC, provide such with your response.
3. Provide the number of customers that Ben Lomand Rural Telephone Cooperative, Inc., Ben Lomand Communications, Inc., and Volunteer First Services, Inc. currently have in Tennessee.
4. Provide a signed verification from the petitioners stating that the information contained in the *Petition* is true and correct to their best knowledge, information and belief.
5. Explain how the Petitioners will comply with TRA Rule 1220-4-2-.56(2)(d) concerning the transfers of customer base with respect to the transaction described in the *Petition*. In your response, provide a copy of the customer notification letter.
6. Provide a \$20,000 corporate surety bond, irrevocable letter of credit or sufficient documentation to demonstrate compliance with T.C.A. § 65-4-125 for Ben Lomand Communications, LLC; and Volunteer First Services, LLC.

7. Will Volunteer First Services, Inc. retain certification to provide telecommunications service after completion of the transaction described in the *Petition*? If not, please explain the basis for requesting approval from the TRA for a name change for a non-certificated entity.

If you have any questions or need further assistance, please call Carlos Black at 615-741-2904, ext. 196 or e-mail him at [Carlos.Black@state.tn.us](mailto:Carlos.Black@state.tn.us). Please respond by sending the original and 13 copies either by U.S. Mail or express mail. Alternatively, you may send the original and four (4) copies along with an electronic file to:

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Sincerely,



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c: Mr. Levoy Knowles