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March 6, 2008

Mr. Michael N. Giles
Huron Consulting Group
6601 County Rd 166
McKinney, Texas 75071

RE: Docket No. 08-00026, *Application of Baldwin County Internet/DSSI Service, LLC for Authority to Provide Competing Local and Interexchange Telecommunications Services in the State of Tennessee*

Dear Mr. Giles:

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 Baldwin County Internet/DSSI Service, LLC's application for Certificate of Convenience and Necessity to provide competing local exchange and long distance telecommunications services in Tennessee, you are requested to provide the following information:

- 1) T.C.A. § 65-4-125 states that, "by September 1, 2000, all telecommunications service providers subject to the control and jurisdiction of the authority, except those owners or operators of public telephone service who pay annual inspection and supervision fees pursuant to § 65-4-301 (b) or any telecommunications service provider that owns and operates equipment facilities in Tennessee with a value of more than five million dollars (\$5,000,000), shall file with the authority a corporate surety bond or irrevocable letter of credit in the amount of twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000) to secure the payment of any monetary sanction imposed in any enforcement proceeding, brought under this title or the Consumer Telemarketing Protection Act of 1990, by or on behalf of the authority."

Please provide a \$20,000 corporate surety bond or irrevocable letter of credit. This bond or letter of credit will be verified by the Authority prior to consideration for authority.

- 2) Provide more detailed biographical information for the principal officers and all key management personnel responsible for operations in Tennessee, including, but not limited to, educational background, detailed work history, including employer names and addresses, titles/positions held, duties and responsibilities and a description of relevant telecommunications experience. Additionally, provide a detailed description of the current duties and responsibilities of each officer and all key management personnel of Baldwin County Internet/DSSI Service, LLC.
- 3) Provide information regarding any additional funding available to Baldwin County Internet/DSSI Service, LLC. Include complete details on other sources of funding for Tennessee operations, including loan commitments, letters of credit, etc. Include details on the line of credit indicated in the financial section of the petition.
- 4) The pre-filed testimony of Mr. Jeffrey Hathaway indicates that "the company will provide service to any customer willing to order and pay for the service." Will Baldwin County Internet/DSSI Service, LLC service end users? If so, will the company provide white page directory listings, access to 911 and E911 emergency services, free blocking for 900/976 calls, access to and support for the Tennessee Relay Center in the same manner as incumbent local exchange telephone companies, Lifeline and Link Up to qualifying customers, equal access to authorized inter and intra LATA long distance providers, and access to educational discounts existing on June 6, 1995, in compliance with TRA Rule 1220-4-8-.04?
- 5) Provide a sworn statement that Baldwin County Internet/DSSI Service, LLC will abide by all applicable state and federal laws and TRA Rules.
- 6) If the company does offer service to end users, how will the company comply with Tenn. Code Ann. § 65-21-114 regarding toll free calling within counties in Tennessee?

Please provide the above information by March 17, 2008. 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 reference docket number 08-00026 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