

# TENNESSEE REGULATORY AUTHORITY



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## NOTICE OF CLOSING STUDY DOCKET

**DOCKET:** 09-00096

**IN RE:** *Docket to Study Merits of Rural Affordability Fund*


**DATE:** December 4, 2009

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On June 29, 2009, the Directors of the Tennessee Regulatory Authority ("Authority") voted to open this docket in response to a request from the Utilities and Banking Subcommittee of the House Commerce Committee. The Authority was asked to study the merits of legislation (House Bill 2117 and Senate Bill 2147) proposing the implementation of a Tennessee Rural Affordability Fund and to provide recommendations regarding the proposed legislation prior to the 2010 legislative session. As a part of this study docket, the Authority issued a series of data requests on September 4, 2009 to over three hundred telecommunications carriers. Responses received by the Authority to those data requests were filed in this docket between September 23 and September 28, 2009. The Authority has completed its review and analysis of those data responses and is preparing a Report on the Tennessee Rural Affordability Fund which will be forthcoming prior to the end of 2009.

Inasmuch as the purpose for which this docket was opened has been fulfilled, this docket is hereby administratively closed.

FOR THE TENNESSEE REGULATORY AUTHORITY

  
Sara Kyle, Chairman

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