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RE: Docket 09-00103: Joint Application of Ardmore Telephone Company, Inc. and Synergy Technology Partners, Inc. Regarding Transfers of Control

Dear Mr. Malone:

In order to analyze recent filings in the above-referenced *Joint Application*, the Tennessee Regulatory Authority requires additional information. The questions herein generally pertain to the *Expedited Petition* for approval of a financing transaction filed on October 29, 2009. Please provide the information requested below by November 19, 2009, and refer to this correspondence as Data Request No. 4 in the response.

1. According to the Data Response filed on October 29, 2008, approximately \$3 million of the requested financing amount will be used for the purchase of the stock of Ardmore Telephone Company, Inc. ("Ardmore") by Synergy Technology Partners, Inc. ("Synergy"). Indicate whether Ardmore will seek recovery of any expenses related to the debt incurred to purchase Ardmore by Synergy in any future rate case proceeding.

If you have any questions or need further assistance, please call me at 615-741-2791, ext. 153 or e-mail me at Jerry.Kettles@tn.gov. 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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