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RE: In the Matter of the Application of Tele Circuit Network Corporation (Tele Circuit) for Designation as an Eligible Telecommunications Carrier (ETC), Docket No. 11-00186

Dear Mr. Steinhart:

In order to assist the Authority in its review of the above reference docket, it is requested that the following be provided.

- 1. Indentify and provide copies of Tele Circuits' advertisements including advertisements for Lifeline services, such as newsprint, television, trade magazines, fliers, posters etc., and provide details on how and where the advertisements are distributed to Tennesseans, especially to those most likely to qualify for lifeline services. (If not providing service in Tennessee, provide copies of advertisements utilized in other states and/or drawing board advertisements used in planning.)
- Does Tele Circuit offer services to customers other than Lifeline customers? (Provide tariff reference as well)
- 3. List the states where Tele Circuit is providing, or has requested authority to provide, local exchange service and whether the company has applied for or has been designated as an ETC. Additionally, is Tele Circuit currently providing local exchange service in any state where it has not received ETC designation? If not, provide an explanation.
- 4. Describe the benefits and/or enhanced services Tennessee consumers will realize by subscribing to Tele Circuit which are not already currently provide by ILECs and/or other Competitive companies.

- 5. Describe, providing specific details, Tele Circuit's connectivity to the PSTN through/by way of the ILEC, or other Tennessee authorized Telecommunications Provider.
- 6. Describe Tele Circuit's measures in place to prevent those Lifeline customers served via resale of another carrier's services that Tele Circuit is not receiving the federal universal service Lifeline credit from the serving company and filing for credit with the Universal Administration Company.
- 7. If switching is obtained from another carrier by lease, describe Tele Circuit Marketing's transition plans for facilities-based switching, if any?
- 8. Provide a copy of Tele Circuit's Application to be used by Lifeline Applicants. Also describe the annual re-verification process for Lifeline customers.
- 9. Outline Tele Circuit's plans for ensuring its customers continue receiving telecommunications services should AT&T- Tennessee relinquish a particular service area that result Tele Circuit's assumption of the Carrier of Last Resort obligations referred to in paragraph 12 of the ETC Application.

This information should be provided no later than 2:00 p.m. on December 2, 2011 with reference to Docket No. 11-00186 on the response. In accordance with Authority rules submit either (1) thirteen written copies of your response or (2) four written copies and an electronic version. Should you have any questions regarding this request, please contact Helen Trimble-Anthony ext 174.

Sincerely,

David Foster, Chief

**Utilities Division**