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VIA US MAIL AND EMAIL TO:

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Tennessee Regulatory Authority Attn: Sharla Dillon, Docket Room Manager 460 James Robertson Parkway Nashville, TN 37243-0505

RE: Docket No. 12-00035 Petition to Eliminate State Lifeline Credit

Dear Ms. Dillon:

In preparation of your review of the Petition to Eliminate State Lifeline Credit, please find Level 3 Communications, LLC's responses below:

- 1. Provide the number of customers that receive the Lifeline credit from your company. Please separate this number into those subscribing to basic local exchange service and those subscribing to bundled services. If known, please identify the number of Lifeline subscribers of basic local exchange service that do not purchase custom calling features.

 Answer: Zero.
- 2. Provide the amount of money expended by your company to provide the state-mandated Lifeline credit over the past year. If readily available, provide the amount expended for prior years. *Answer: Zero.*
- 3. Discuss the administrative costs associated with providing the state-mandated Lifeline credit. Would the administrative costs of providing the state-mandated Lifeline credit change if the credit were limited to smaller set of services or recipients than the currently required. Please describe and quantify any other cost savings if the relief requested in the Petition is granted. Answer: Zero. Level 3 only contributes to the fund; it does not serve any customers eligible for the service.
- 4. If the Petition is approved, please describe how your company proposes to notify customers. *Answer: Not applicable.*

Feel free to contact me if you have any further questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

Scott Seab

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