

BEFORE THE TENNESSEE REGULATORY AUTHORITY

NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE

August 30, 2012

IN RE:

**APPLICATION OF BRISTOL TENNESSEE ESSENTIAL
SERVICES FOR EXPANDED CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC
CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY TO PROVIDE
COMPETING TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES
STATEWIDE**

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ORDER SETTING PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE

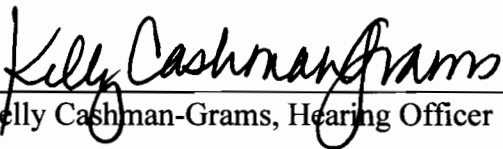
This matter came before the Hearing Officer upon the proposed procedural schedule filed with the Tennessee Regulatory Authority ("Authority") by Bristol Tennessee Essential Services ("BTES" or "Applicant Company"), United Telephone-Southeast LLC d/b/a CenturyLink, CenturyLink of Adamsville, Inc. d/b/a CenturyLink Adamsville, CenturyTel of Claiborne, Inc. d/b/a CenturyLink Claiborne, and CenturyTel of Ooltewah-Collegedale, Inc. d/b/a CenturyLink Ooltewah-Collegedale (together, "CenturyLink"), and the Tennessee Cable Telecommunications Association ("TCTA") (collectively, the "Parties") on August 27, 2012.

Upon consideration, the Hearing Officer finds the schedule proposed by the parties to be reasonable and hereby adopts it with slight modification as to the hearing date. While every effort will be made to accommodate the request of the parties for a hearing in this matter on December 4, 2012, or during the week thereof, the finalization and setting of hearings before the Authority are made at the direction and discretion of the voting panel. Therefore, while the preference of the parties is noted, the date for the hearing is not included

in the Procedural Schedule at this time. The date for the hearing will be announced separately, upon confirmation of the voting panel.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:

Subject to the modification noted herein above, the Procedural Schedule attached to this Order as **Exhibit A** is adopted and is in full force and effect.



Kelly Cashman-Grams, Hearing Officer

Procedural Schedule

(August 30, 2012)

Due Date	Filing
September 7, 2012	First round of discovery requests (one copy to be filed with the Authority)
September 14, 2012	Objections to first round of discovery request (one copy to be filed with the Authority)
September 19, 2012	Response to objections (one copy to be filed with the Authority)
September 21, 2012	1:30 p.m. CST Status Conference re: discovery disputes
October 5, 2012	Response to first round of discovery requests (one copy to be filed with the Authority)
November 6, 2012	Pre-filed testimony by Intervenors
November 20, 2012	Pre-filed rebuttal testimony by BTES
November 26, 2012	1:30 p.m. CST Pre-hearing Conference (if needed)
TBD	Hearing on the Merits before the TRA Panel

Exhibit A