

BEFORE THE TENNESSEE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE

March 28, 2018

IN RE:)	
)	DOCKET NO.
APPLICATION OF UNITED TELEPHONE)	18-00007
COMPANY, INC. TO ENTER PRICE REGULATION)	

ORDER APPROVING APPLICATION TO ENTER PRICE REGULATION

This matter came before Chairman David F. Jones, Commissioner Herbert H. Hilliard and Commissioner Kenneth C. Hill of the Tennessee Public Utility Commission (“Commission”), the voting panel assigned to this docket, during a regularly scheduled Commission Conference held on February 26, 2018, for consideration of the *Application* filed on January 10, 2018, by United Telephone Company, Inc. (“United Telephone” or the “Company”). The Company seeks Commission approval to enter price regulation pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 65-5-109 (2017).

FINDINGS AND CONCLUSIONS

Tenn. Code Ann § 65-5-109 governs entry into price regulation. In its *Application*, United Telephone states that it will comply with all statutes, rules and regulations applicable to price regulated companies, including complying with the rate cap for basic local exchange telephone services set forth in Tenn. Code Ann. § 65-5-109(f) (2017). The Commission reviewed the Company’s *Application* pursuant to statutory requirements, including whether the existing rates are affordable, and found that it met all such requirements. Thereafter, the panel voted unanimously to approve the *Application*.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:

The *Application* filed by United Telephone Company, Inc. is approved.

Chairman David F. Jones, Commissioner Herbert H. Hilliard and Commissioner Kenneth C. Hill concur.

ATTEST:

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Earl Taylor", written in black ink.

Earl R. Taylor, Executive Director