

BEFORE THE TENNESSEE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE

October 1, 2018

IN RE:

**PETITION OF 1TENNESSEE BROADBAND,
TV AND TELEPHONE COOPERATIVE, INC.
FOR ESTABLISHMENT OF TERRITORIAL
BOUNDARIES**

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DOCKET NO. 18-00096

**ORDER CONVENING A CONTESTED CASE
PROCEEDING AND APPOINTING A HEARING OFFICER**

This matter came before Vice Chair Kenneth C. Hill, Commissioner Herbert H. Hilliard, and Commissioner John A. Hie, of the Tennessee Public Utility Commission (“TPUC” or “Commission”), the voting panel assigned to this docket, during a regularly scheduled Commission Conference held on September 21, 2018 for the purpose of determining whether to convene a contested case proceeding and appoint a Hearing Officer. On August 31, 2018, 1Tennessee Broadband, TV and Telephone Cooperative, Inc. (“1Tennessee”), formerly known as InfoStructure, Inc. d/b/a Click1.net, filed a petition requesting that the Commission establish and define 1Tennessee’s territorial boundaries.¹ 1Tennessee states that it has existing facilities and customers within an identifiable area, and under Tenn. Code Ann. §65-29-130, the Commission has jurisdiction to establish the territorial boundaries of telephone cooperatives.

During the conference, the Commissioners voted unanimously to convene a contested case proceeding and to appoint the Commission’s General Counsel, or her designee, to act as

¹ *Petition*, p. 1 (August 31, 2018). In its Petition, 1Tennessee states that the InfoStructure is a family-owned business that has provided telecommunications services in its service area in West Tennessee for nearly fifty (50) years. 1Tennessee further stated, that in accordance with Tenn. Code Ann. §65-29-101, the Telephone Cooperative Act (effective July 3, 2018), InfoStructure converted from a Tennessee profit corporation to 1Tennessee, a Tennessee non-profit corporation, specifically a telephone cooperative.

Hearing Officer to prepare this matter for hearing, with authority to handle all preliminary matters, including but not limited to, establishing a procedural schedule, considering dispositive motions, ruling on intervention requests and discovery issues, and entering a protective order, as needed.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Vice Chair Kenneth C. Hill, Commissioner Herbert H. Hilliard, and Commissioner John A. Hie, concur.

ATTEST:



Earl R. Taylor, Executive Director