

TENNESSEE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION



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Room on October 7, 2024 at 12:12 p.m.

Via Email: CAGilley@venable.com

RE: Docket No. 24-00054, *Application of Ripple Fiber Tennessee, LLC for a Certificate of Convenience and Necessity to Provide Competing Local Telecommunications Services in Tennessee*

Dear Mr. Gilley,

CLEC applicants are required, by statute, to demonstrate their managerial, financial and technical abilities to provide the services for which they seek authority. To assist the Commission in its review of Ripple Fiber Tennessee, LLC's application for certificate of convenience and necessity to provide competing telecommunications services in Tennessee, you are requested to provide the following:

1. A \$20,000 bond or letter of credit pursuant to TCA §65-4-125(j).
2. A Certificate of Existence from the Tennessee Secretary of State's Office. The petition only included the Secretary of State application. The Certificate of Existence can be obtained online at www.tn.gov/sos.
3. A signed and dated Notice of Filing and Certificate of Service indicating the ILECs in Tennessee have been notified of the filing of this application. The petition listed BellSouth as the only ILEC in Tennessee. A list of all ILECs in Tennessee can be found in the CLEC application sample on our website at www.tn.gov/tpuc.
4. The petition states that "the company does not intend to provide switched services." Explain in detail how local and long distance services will be provided by Ripple Fiber Tennessee, LLC. Also, please detail the "unregulated services" to be offered.

It is requested that this information be provided no later than 2:00 pm on October 28, 2024, and that you reference Docket Number 24-00054 on the response. In accordance with TPUC rules submit either (1) thirteen written copies of your response or (2) four written copies and an electronic version. Should you have questions regarding this request, please contact Lisa Foust at 615-770-6886.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "David N. Foster".

David Foster
Director, Utilities Division