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**NOTICE OF WEST PLAINS
TELECOMMUNICATIONS, INC. FOR
TEXAS UNIVERSAL SERVICE FUND
ELECTION UNDER 16 TAC § 26.407**

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**PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
OF TEXAS**
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COMMISSION STAFF'S REQUEST FOR EXTENSION

COMES NOW the Staff of the Public Utility Commission of Texas (Commission), representing the public interest and files this Staff's Request for Extension, and would show the following:

I. BACKGROUND

On December 14, 2018, West Plains Telecommunications, Inc., (The Company) filed its written notice of election under 16 Texas Administrative Code (TAC) § 26.407. On February 14, 2019, The Company filed its annual report.

Pursuant to 16 TAC § 26.407(f)(1)(B), Commission Staff must file a final recommendation on the reported or staff adjusted rate of return within 90 days after the annual report was filed. The Company filed its annual report on February 14, 2019. Ninety days after February 14, 2019 is May 15, 2019. Therefore, this pleading is timely filed.

II. REQUEST FOR EXTENSION

Pursuant to 16 TAC § 22.4(b), Staff may request that the time allowed for filing any documents be extended for good cause. Because Staff requires additional time to formulate its final recommendation, Staff requests a good-cause extension of the 90-day deadline under 16 TAC § 26.407(f)(1)(B). Staff requests an extension to file its final recommendation on or before May 24, 2019.

III. CONCLUSION

Staff respectfully requests an order consistent with its request.

Date: May 13, 2019

Respectfully Submitted,

**PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF TEXAS
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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that a copy of this document will be served on all parties of record on May 13, 2019, in accordance with 16 TAC § 22.74.



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