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APPLICATION OF BEC  
COMMUNICATIONS, LLC FOR A  
SERVICE PROVIDER CERTIFICATE  
OF OPERATING AUTHORITY

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2020 PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION  
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FILING CLERK OF TEXAS

**COMMISSION STAFF'S RECOMMENDATION ON ELIGIBILITY**

COMES NOW, the Staff (Staff) of the Public Utility Commission of Texas (Commission), representing the public interest, and files this Recommendation on Eligibility. Staff recommends that the application be deemed eligible for a Service Provider Certificate of Operating Authority (SPCOA). In support thereof, Staff shows the following:

**I. BACKGROUND**

On January 17, 2020, BEC Communications, LLC (BEC) filed an application for approval of a SPCOA, pursuant to Public Utility Regulatory Act, Tex. Util. Code Ann. §§ 54.151-.159 (PURA) and 16 Tex. Admin. Code (TAC) § 26.111. BEC filed an application requesting to provide telecommunications services throughout the State of Texas, including facilities-based data, and resale telecommunications. BEC is requesting for its SPCOA to be issued under the name "BEC Communications, LLC."

Order No. 2, issued on January 30, 2020, established a deadline of February 7, 2020 for Staff to file a recommendation regarding the eligibility of the application and BEC's requested name. This pleading is therefore timely filed.

**II. RECOMMENDATION**

Staff has reviewed the application and has concluded that BEC is eligible to obtain a SPCOA pursuant to PURA § 54.153. BEC, together with its affiliates, has less than six percent of the total intrastate switched access minutes of use (1.6 billion) for the most recent 12-month period preceding the filing of its application for which data was available.

Staff also reviewed existing names and concluded the requested name of "BEC Communications, LLC" is distinctive and acceptable. Therefore, Staff recommends that BEC is eligible to obtain a SPCOA.

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**III. CONCLUSION**

For the reasons discussed above, Staff respectfully requests the entry of an order deeming BEC eligible to obtain an SPCOA.

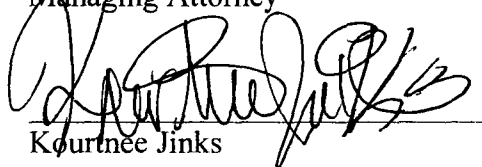
Dated: February 7, 2020

Respectfully submitted,

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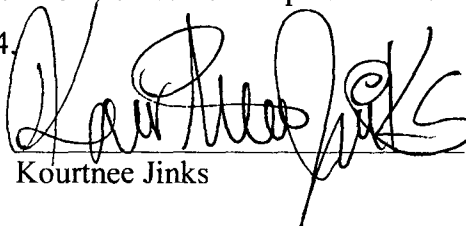


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