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APPLICATION OF TEXAS TELEPHONE ASSOCIATION FOR ADMINISTRATIVE APPROVAL OF ACCESS SERVICE TARIFF UNDER 16 TAC § 26.207

ORDER NO. 3 DENYING EMERGENCY HEARING

On May 19, 2020, Texas Telephone Association (TTA) filed a letter requesting an emergency hearing. TTA argues that if its proposed tariff is not approved before July 1, 2020, 17 of its members are at risk of being left without an approved access tariff. As explained by TTA in its letter, the 17 members are currently providing services under the Texas Statewide Telephone Cooperative, Inc. (TSTCI) access tariff. TSTCI has filed an application to remove the 17 members, and requested an effective date of July 1, 2020.¹ Thus, the risk that 17 TTA members will be left without an approved access tariff after July 1, 2020, exists only if final action approving the application in Tariff Control No. 50853 is taken before that date.

An order similar to Order No. 2 in this docket, which certified the issues identified in Order No. 1 to the Commission, has been filed in Tariff Control No. 50853.² The administrative law judge (ALJ) finds that because the two cases have the same preliminary issues which will be decided by the Commission, there is no risk of TTA's 17 members being left without an effective access tariff while the cases remain pending. Accordingly, the ALJ denies TTA's motion for an emergency hearing.

Signed at Austin, Texas the 21st day of May 2020.

PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF TEXAS

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¹ Application of Texas Statewide Telephone Cooperative, Inc. for Administrative Revisions to its Intrastate Access Services Tariff, Tariff Control No. 50853 (pending).

² Id, Order No. 1 (May 21, 2020).