#### **BEFORE THE**

#### MASSACHUSETTS DEPARTMENT OF TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND CABLE

Telrite Corporation d/b/a Life Wireless)Petition for Designation as an)Eligible Telecommunications Carrier)in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts)

D.T.C. 13-1

#### RESPONSE OF TELRITE CORPORATION D/B/A LIFE WIRELESS TO FOURTH INFORMATION REQUEST BY THE DEPARTMENT OF TELECOMMUNICATIONS

Telrite Corporation d/b/a Life Wireless ("Telrite") provides the following response to an

information request by the Department of Telecommunications and Cable ("Department"). In

particular, the Presiding Officer requested Telrite to provide information regarding the status a

recent appeal of a decision by the Universal Service Administrative Company ("USAC") to the

Federal Communications Commission ("FCC"), Wireline Competition Bureau ("WCB"). This

information request was issued during a telephone conversation between the Presiding Officer

and counsel for Telrite, and therefore, the following language represents Telrite counsel's

understanding of the information request.

D.T.C. 4-1 Please provide the status of Telrite's appeal of a decision issued by USAC on September 19, 2022, in which USAC denied Telrite's request for review of USAC's earlier decision to adopt an auditor's finding related to Lifeline service provided in 2017.

Respondent: Barton DeHaven, Jr., Field Operations Manager

#### **Response**

On September 19, 2022, USAC issued a decision denying Telrite's request to review and vacate USAC's earlier decision to adopt findings in a final audit report related to Telrite's provision of Lifeline service in 2017. On November 18, 2022, Telrite filed an appeal with the FCC's WCB asking it to overturn USAC's decision affirming the auditor's findings. Telrite's

appeal remains pending. Telrite has no information regarding when the WCB will act on its appeal.

Telrite further advises the Department of an update to its response to information request D.T.C. 2-7.

# D.T.C. 2-7 Provide any updates regarding Telrite's petition to be a Lifeline-only ETC in New Jersey.

Respondent: Barton DeHaven, Jr., Field Operations Manager

## December 13, 2022 Update

On September 7, 2022, the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities issued an order granting Telrite's petition for designation as an ETC.

#### VERIFICATION

# STATE OF GEORGIA § COUNTY OF NEWTON §

I, Jim Carpenter, state that I am the President of Telrite Corporation d/b/a Life Wireless ("Telrite"); that I am authorized to make this Verification on behalf of Telrite; that I have read the foregoing document; and that the statements in the foregoing document with respect to Telrite are true, accurate and correct to the best of my knowledge, information and belief. I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

U ca Jim Carpenter President Telrite Corporation d/b/a Life Wireless 4113 Monticello Street Covington, Georgia 30014

December 13, 2022

# **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that I have this day served the foregoing document upon all persons in the attached service list, compiled by the Secretary of the Department in this proceeding to include all parties of record, in accordance with the requirements of 207 C.M.R. 1.05(I) of the Department's Procedural Rules.

/s/ Genya Meharg Genya Meharg

December 14, 2022



# **COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS** DEPARTMENT OF TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND CABLE

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