

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI**

In the Matter of the Application of Mid-States)
Services, LLC for Designation as an Eligible) Case No. LO-2019-0093
Telecommunications Carrier in the State of)
Missouri)

**SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION AND VERIFICATION OF
MID-STATES SERVICES, LLC
FOR DESIGNATION AS AN ELIGIBLE TELECOMMUNICATIONS CARRIER
IN THE STATE OF MISSOURI**

On September 28, 2018 Mid-States Services, LLC (“Mid-States”), by its undersigned counsel submitted its Application for Designation as an Eligible Telecommunications Carrier (“ETC”) in the State of Missouri (“Application”). On October 1, 2018, Mid-States submitted an amendment to the Application, clarifying that Mid-States is seeking *wireline* ETC authority. On October 10, 2018, Mid-States received an email from the Missouri Public Service Commission staff with a request for clarification or additional information to be provided . We respond to staff’s request below and attach the Supplemental Verification. Staff’s requests are bolded followed by our response.

4 CSR 240-2.060(1)(B)-(G): Provide documentation about the company’s legal organization (i.e., Missouri Secretary of State’s documentation).

Attached as **Exhibit A** is Mid-States’ Certificate of Good Standing granted by the Missouri Secretary of State.

4 CSR 240-2.060(1)(K): The identity of any pending action or final unsatisfied judgments or decisions against the company from any state or federal agency or court which involve customer service or rates, which action, judgment, or decision has occurred within three (3) years of the date of the application. If there is not any pending actions or final unsatisfied judgments or decisions against the company then provide a statement to that effect.

There are no pending actions or final unsatisfied judgments or decisions against Mid-States from any state or federal agency or court which involve customer service or rates, which action, judgment, or decision has occurred within three (3) years of the date of the application.

4 CSR 240-31.130(1)(C)1: The identity any individual or entity having a ten percent (10%) or more ownership interest in the applicant, and all managers, officers, and directors, or any person exerting managerial control over the applicant's day-to-day operations, policies, service offerings, and rates. If no individual or entity has a 10% or more ownership interest in the applicant then provide a statement to that effect.

Mid-States' is wholly owned by Innovative Energy Solutions, LLC which is wholly owned by Grundy Electric Cooperative, Inc. Grundy Electric Cooperative, Inc is a member owned electrical cooperative. No individual or entity has a 10% or more ownership interest in Grundy Electric Cooperative, Inc.

The Board of Directors of Grundy are elected to three-year terms and current directors and management personnel are identified on **Exhibit B**. Key personnel exerting control over the applicant's day-to-day operations are set forth on **Exhibit C**.

4 CSR 240-31.130(1)(E)3: A statement that the applicant is compliant with contribution obligations to the Federal USF.

Mid-States is compliant with filing and contribution obligations to the Federal USF. Mid-States filed its 2018 FCC Form 499-A reporting on revenues for the 2017 calendar year and has demonstrated *de minimus* status.

4 CSR 240-31.130(2)(G): Commit to solely conduct business under name granted for ETC status. This commitment should include a statement that the company will not use additional service or brand names.

Mid-States commits to solely conducting business under the name granted for ETC status, which will be Mid-States Services, LLC. Mid-States and will not use additional service of brand names.

A statement that standalone voice service will be offered. This requirement is based on the FCC's expectations for ETC applications as identified on page 3 of FCC Public Notice DA 18-274.

Mid-States will offer a stand-alone voice service using interconnected Voice over Internet Protocol technology.

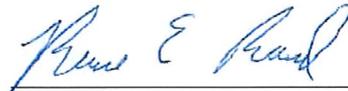
Demonstrate the rates for the supported services will be reasonably comparable to the rates offered in urban areas. This requirement is based on the FCC's expectations for ETC applications as identified on page 3 of FCC Public Notice DA 18-274.

The rates within the supported area will be reasonably comparable to the rates offered in urban areas as per the FCC's CAF II requirements set forth in 47 CFR §54.309(a). The rates currently offered by Mid-States, as set forth in the Exhibits to the Petition, are below the benchmarks announced by the Wireline Competition Bureau for the 2018 resulting from the 2018 Urban Rate Survey for Fixed Voice and Broadband Services.¹ Mid-States will not distinguish rates between the supported area and its current service area and certifies that it will comply with the "reasonably comparable rates" CAF II requirement as part of its receipt of the CAF II award of funds.

Mid-States respectfully requests that the Commission expeditiously grant ETC authority to enable it to receive the CAF II reverse auction funds it has been allocated.

Respectfully submitted,

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Dated: October 12, 2018

¹ *See*, DA17-1093 (Nov. 8, 2017).

EXHIBIT A

Mid-States Services, LLC

Certificate of Good Standing

STATE OF MISSOURI



John R. Ashcroft
Secretary of State

CORPORATION DIVISION
CERTIFICATE OF GOOD STANDING

I, JOHN R. ASHCROFT, Secretary of State of the STATE OF MISSOURI, do hereby certify that the records in my office and in my care and custody reveal that

MID-STATES SERVICES, L.L.C.
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was created under the laws of this State on the 12th day of July, 1999, and is active, having fully complied with all requirements of this office.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand and cause to be affixed the GREAT SEAL of the State of Missouri. Done at the City of Jefferson, this 11th day of October, 2018.


Secretary of State



Certification Number: CERT-10112018-0087

EXHIBIT B

Grundy Electric Cooperative

Board of Directors



Directors are Member-Owners

Grundy Electric Cooperative's Board of Directors are member-owners who are elected to three-year terms at the Cooperative's annual meeting, which is open to all member-owners in August. Current directors include:

Dan Lentz President Area # 2 Browning, Missouri	Joe Hartley Vice President Area # 4 Mercer, Missouri	Richard Moore Treasurer Area # 4 Princeton, Missouri
Marvin Harding Secretary Area # 5 Ridgeway, Missouri	Eric Woodard Assistant Secretary Area # 1 Trenton, Missouri	Rodney Ewing Director Area # 3 Lineville, Iowa
Adrian Cox Director Area # 1 Trenton, Missouri	Alan Guernsey Director Area # 5 Bethany, Missouri	Office Hours: Monday - Friday 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

EXHIBIT C

Mid-States Services, LLC

Key Management Employees

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Wilson, Scott	General Manager
Boulware, Peggy	Corporate Development Manager
McKay, Cathy	Office Manager
Pash, J. D.	Operations Manager
Slagle, Troy	Information Technology Manager

SUPPLEMENTAL AFFIDAVIT & VERIFICATION

I, Troy Slagle, a natural person, do hereby swear and affirm that I am an officer of Applicant and that the following information and statements are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief:

1. I am an authorized representative of Mid-States Services, L.L.C. and acknowledge that I have the authority to execute this Affidavit and Verification on behalf of Mid-States Services, L.L.C. and have read the foregoing attached Supplemental Information and certify that each of the responses is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.
2. Mid-States Services, L.L.C. is compliant with all Federal USF contribution requirements.
3. Mid-States Services, L.L.C. commits to provide stand-alone voice service using interconnected Voice over Internet Protocol technology and to comply with the "reasonably comparable rates" CAF II requirement as part of its receipt of the CAF II award of funds.



Troy A. Slagle
IT Manager

State of Missouri
County of Grundy

Subscribed and sworn before me this 12th day of October 2018.



Notary Public

Notary Seal:



ANITA L. OSBORN
My Commission Expires
January 31, 2021
Grundy County
Commission #13401200

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the above and foregoing document was delivered by first class mail, electronic mail or hand delivery, on this 12th day of October 2018, to the following parties:

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