

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

In the Matter of the Application of Chariton Valley Communications Corporation for Expansion of its Designation as an Eligible Telecommunications Carrier Eligible for Universal Service Support Pursuant to the Telecommunications Act of 1996)
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File No.: CA-2019-0108

**ORDER DIRECTING NOTICE, SETTING DATE FOR INTERVENTION,
AND ORDERING STAFF RECOMMENDATION**

Issue Date: October 22, 2018

Effective Date: October 22, 2018

On October 19, 2018, Chariton Valley Communications Corporation (the “Company”) filed its application for the expansion of its designation as an eligible telecommunications carrier (“ETC”). The Company asks that its ETC designation be expanded to include 12 additional service area block groups for which it has been awarded high-cost support because it was a winning bidder in a Connect American Fund (“CAF”) Phase II auction conducted by the Federal Communications Commission (“FCC”). The Company also asks the Commission to expand its ETC designation so that it can provide lifeline and disabled support to the entire state of Missouri.

The Company’s application states that because it was a winning bidder in a CAF Phase II auction, it will be eligible to receive up to \$4,179,665.50 in CAF Phase II high cost support to provide up to 847 service locations in 13 census block groups with high speed voice and broadband services. The Company’s application includes a map (Attachment A2) showing its current ETC designation service area (one census block) and the additional 12 census block groups in question. With respect to those 12 census block groups, the

Company's application states that per 54 CFR 315 (b)(5), it must obtain ETC designation by February 25, 2019.

The application states that the census blocks are currently unserved with broadband internet access availability and that granting the ETC expansion will make broadband internet access available to the 847 locations in the census block groups. The application alleges that the census block groups "are within the service area of price cap incumbent local exchange carriers who have failed to provide broadband internet access service and have failed to commit to the FCC to build broadband out to these areas." With respect to its additional request to expand its ETC designation to the entire state of Missouri for lifeline/disabled purposes, the Company states that the request is made so that it can provide lifeline and disabled services in all locations in Missouri where it builds and serves.

The Commission will issue notice, set a deadline for intervention requests, and direct the filing of a recommendation by the Staff of the Commission.

THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

1. The Commission's Data Center shall send notice of this application to all eligible telecommunications carriers authorized to provide broadband and lifeline and disabled services in Missouri.

2, Any request to intervene shall be filed with the Commission no later than November 6, 2018. Such applications shall be filed with:

Secretary
Missouri Public Service Commission
P.O. Box 360
Jefferson City, Missouri 65102

Or with the Commission's electronic filing and information service.

3. The Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission shall file its recommendation no later than December 7, 2018.

4. This Order shall be effective when issued.

BY THE COMMISSION



A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Morris L. Woodruff".

Morris L. Woodruff
Secretary

Paul T. Graham, Regulatory
Law Judge, by delegation of authority
under Section 386.240, RSMo 2016.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,
on this 22nd day of October, 2018.

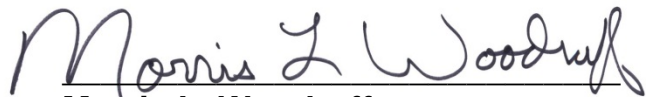
STATE OF MISSOURI

OFFICE OF THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

I have compared the preceding copy with the original on file in this office and I do hereby certify the same to be a true copy therefrom and the whole thereof.

WITNESS my hand and seal of the Public Service Commission, at Jefferson City, Missouri, this 22nd day of October 2018.




Morris L. Woodruff
Secretary

MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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Enclosed find a certified copy of an Order or Notice issued in the above-referenced matter(s).

Sincerely,



**Morris L. Woodruff
Secretary**

Distributed to all eligible telecommunications carriers authorized to provide broadband and lifeline and disabled services in Missouri.

Recipients listed above with a valid e-mail address will receive electronic service. Recipients without a valid e-mail address will receive paper service.