BEFORE THE IDAHO PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

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IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF NEXUS COMMUNICATIONS, INC. FOR DESIGNATION AS AN ELIGIBLE TELECOMMUNICATIONS CARRIER IN IDAHO

CASE NO. NCI-T-11-01

ORDER NO. 32749

On April 6, 2011, Nexus Communications, Inc. ("Nexus" or "Company") filed an Application, pursuant to 47 U.S.C. § 214(e)(6) of the Communications Act of 1934 ("the Act"), 47 C.F.R. § 54.201 *et seq.*, and Order No. 29841, seeking designation as an eligible telecommunications carrier ("ETC") in the State of Idaho for the sole purpose of receiving Lifeline/Link-up ("Low-Income") support. *Application* at 1. On September 27, 2012, the Company filed amendments to its original Application describing how Nexus will comply with the new requirements in the Federal Communication Commission's ("FCC") rules for the Lifeline Universal Service program instituted by the FCC's November 18, 2011 ("Connect America Fund Order") and February 6, 2012 ("Lifeline Reform Order") Orders.

On January 22, 2013, the Commission issued a Notice of Application and Notice of Modified Procedure with a 21-day comment period.

MOTIONS FOR EXTENSION OF COMMENT PERIOD

On February 12, 2013, Staff filed a Motion for a 30-day extension from the end of the comment period regarding Nexus' ETC Application. Staff remarked that its correspondence with representatives of Nexus revealed that the Company intends to file an amendment to its Application to more fully address certain ETC requirements regarding the remittance of applicable Idaho Telephone Service Assistance Program ("ITSAP") and E-911 fees.

On February 13, 2013, Nexus submitted a Motion to Extend the Comment Period regarding Nexus' Application for designation as an ETC, filed on April 6, 2011. The Company stated that, pursuant to its conversations with Staff and in order to allow time to respond to their inquiries, it requests that the comment period be extended by an additional 30 days.

COMMISSION FINDINGS

The Commission has reviewed the parties' Motions for extension of the comment period established in Commission Order No. 32717. The Commission has not received any

objections to the parties' Motions. Therefore, the Commission finds good cause for an extension to allow Nexus additional time to respond to Staff inquiries and/or comply with relevant ETC requirements.

ORDER

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the time period for persons interested in submitting written comments regarding this case shall be extended to no later than 28 days from the service date of this Order.

DONE by Order of the Idaho Public Utilities Commission at Boise, Idaho this 20^{+h} day of February 2013.

PAUL KJELLÁNDER, PRESIDENT

MACK A. REDFØRD, COMMISSIONER

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ATTEST:

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Commission Secretary

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