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**BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF UTAH**

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In the Matter of the Application of  
Neighborhood Networks, Inc. for a Certificate  
of Public Convenience and Necessity to  
Provide Resold and Facilities Based Local  
Exchange Services within the State of Utah

**ADDITIONAL COMMENTS OF UTAH  
RURAL TELECOM ASSOCIATION**

DOCKET NO. 16-2587-01

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The Utah Rural Telecom Association (“URTA”), on behalf of itself and URTA members All West Communications, Inc., Bear Lake Communications, Inc., Beehive Telephone Company, Carbon/Emery Telcom, Inc., Central Utah Telephone, Inc., Direct Communications Cedar Valley, LLC, Emery Telephone, Hanksville Telcom, Inc., Manti Telephone Company, Skyline Telecom, South Central Utah Telephone Association, Inc. and Union Telephone Company (“Members” or “URTA Members”) filed its Comments and Petition to intervene on March 4, 2016.

On March 14, 2016, Neighborhood Networks, Inc. (Neighborhood Networks) filed an Amended Application dated March 8, 2016, clarifying that it is not seeking authority to provide telecommunications services in exchanges in the State of Utah with fewer than 5,000 access lines that are owned or controlled by an ILEC with fewer than 30,000 total access lines. Based on the Amended Application the Division of Public Utilities filed Comments on March 14, 2016, recommending the Commission approve the Amended Application and grant Neighborhood

Networks' CPCN as requested. URTA was not provided copies of the Amended Application or the Division's Comments because URTA's Petition to Intervene had not yet been granted. However, on March 25, 2016, URTA's Petition to Intervene was granted by the Utah Public Service Commission ("Commission").

Neighborhood Networks Amended Application addresses the concerns of URTA. Provided that Neighborhood Networks' CPCN is limited so that they do not have authority to provide services in exchanges with fewer than 5,000 access lines that are owned or controlled by an ILEC with fewer than 30,000 total access lines, URTA does not oppose the Amended Application.

DATED this 30<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2016.

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Its Members

## CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

I hereby certify that on this 30<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2016, I caused to be mailed a true and correct copy of the foregoing COMMENTS AND PETITION TO INTERVENE OF UTAH RURAL TELECOM ASSOCIATION AND ITS MEMBERS by email to:

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