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IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF  
WWC LICENSE LLC ("WESTERN WIRELESS  
CORPORATION") FOR DESIGNATION AS AN  
ELIGIBLE TELECOMMUNICATIONS CARRIER  
AND REDEFINITION OF RURAL TELEPHONE  
COMPANY SERVICE AREA.

DOCKET NO. T-04248A-04-0239

PROCEDURAL ORDER

BY THE COMMISSION:

On March 26, 2004, WWC License LLC filed the above-captioned application with the Arizona Corporation Commission ("Commission").

On August 23, 2005, a Recommended Opinion and Order was docketed, and was placed on the Commission's Open Meeting Agenda for September 7-8, 2005. The Recommended Opinion and Order has not been considered at a Commission Open Meeting.

On February 27, 2006, WWC License LLC ("WWC-Alltel")<sup>1</sup> filed a Request for Acceptance of Late-Filed Exceptions to the August 23, 2005 Recommended Opinion and Order.

On March 15, 2006, ALECA filed a Motion for Thirty Day Extension to File Comments to [Alltel's] Request for Acceptance of Late-Filed Exceptions.

On January 24, 2007, WWC-Alltel filed a Notice of Withdrawal of Exceptions and Request that Recommended Opinion and Order be Heard at Open Meeting.

On January 26, 2007, Staff filed a Second Supplemental Staff Report in this docket, in which Staff recommends approval of revised eligibility conditions and associated reporting requirements.

On March 2, 2007, WWC-Alltel filed a Response to the Second Supplemental Staff Report. WWC-Alltel's March 2, 2007 filing requests that an amended Recommended Opinion and Order be issued to incorporate the six additional recommendations appearing in the Second Supplemental Staff Report, and that the amended Recommended Opinion and Order be considered at the April 11-12, 2007, Open Meeting.

<sup>1</sup> On August 1, 2005, Western Wireless Corporation merged with Alltel Corporation and is now a part of Alltel Corporation. WWC License LLC is now a wholly owned subsidiary of Alltel.

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1 On March 7, 2007, a Procedural Order was issued directing ALECA to file responsive  
2 comments, if any, to the January 26, 2007, Second Supplemental Staff Report and to WWC-Alltel's  
3 March 2, 2007, filing.

4 On March 15, 2007, a telephonic procedural conference was held at the request of ALECA  
5 and WWC-Alltel. Counsel for WWC-Alltel and ALECA appeared and requested that the deadline  
6 for ALECA's comments be extended. Counsel explained that data responses from WWC-Alltel are  
7 outstanding, and that the parties stipulate to a filing date 7 calendar days following ALECA's receipt  
8 of the data responses.

9 On March 16, 2007, a Procedural Order was issued granting WWC-Alltel's and ALECA's  
10 request.

11 On April 4, 2007, ALECA filed its Comments to the Second Supplemental Staff Report. In  
12 the Comments, ALECA raised the issue of an October 30, 2006 complaint filed by an individual  
13 against Alltel Communications Inc. before the North Dakota Public Service Commission.

14 On April 17, 2007, WWC-Alltel filed Reply Comments of WWC License LLC to ALECA's  
15 Comments on the Second Supplemental Staff Report and Request that Recommended Opinion and  
16 Order be Heard at May 8, 2007 Open Meeting.

17 Staff should have an opportunity to file responses to WWC-Alltel's March 2, 2007 and April  
18 17, 2007 filings, and to ALECA's April 4, 2007 filing. Subsequent to the filing of Staff's responses,  
19 a Procedural Conference should be held to allow the parties to discuss appropriate procedures for the  
20 Commission's disposition of this docket.

21 IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that the Commission's Utilities Division Staff shall file, by  
22 May 15, 2007, Staff's Reply to WWC License LLC's March 2, 2007 Response to the Second  
23 Supplemental Staff Report; Staff's Reply to the Arizona Local Exchange Carriers Association's April  
24 4, 2007 Comments to the Second Supplemental Staff Report; and Staff's Reply to the April 17, 2007  
25 Reply Comments of WWC License LLC to ALECA's Comments on the Second Supplemental Staff  
26 Report and Request that Recommended Opinion and Order be Heard at May 8, 2007 Open Meeting.

27 IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a **Procedural Conference** shall be held in this matter  
28 commencing at **2:00 p.m., or as soon thereafter as practicable, on May 18, 2007**, at the  
Commission's Phoenix offices located at 1200 West Washington, Phoenix, Arizona 85007, for the  
purpose of discussing procedural matters associated with the above-captioned application.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the presiding Administrative Law Judge may rescind, alter,  
amend, or waive any portion of this Procedural Order either by subsequent Procedural Order or by

1 ruling at hearing.

2 DATED this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of April, 2007.

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ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE

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