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IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF  
BUDGET PHONE, INC. FOR DESIGNATION  
ELIGIBLE TELECOMMUNICATIONS  
CARRIER IN THE STATE OF ARIZONA.

DOCKET NO. T-04079A-11-0362

PROCEDURAL ORDER  
GRANTING INTERVENTION

BY THE COMMISSION:

On September 30, 2011, Budget Prepay, Inc. dba Budget Phone, Inc. ("Budget"), filed with the Arizona Corporation Commission ("Commission") an application for designation as a non-rural wireless Eligible Telecommunications Carrier ("ETC"). Budget's application seeks designation as an ETC for the purpose of receiving support from the Federal Universal Service Fund ("FUSF") to provide wireless services under such as Lifeline and Link-Up services to eligible households in Arizona.

On March 9, 2012, pursuant to A.A.C. R14-3-105, the Arizona Local Exchange Carriers Association ("ALECA") filed a Motion to Intervene in the above-captioned matter ("Motion"). The Motion states that ALECA is comprised of small telephone companies and member-owned cooperatives, all of which are providing local exchange telecommunications services to customers in rural, high-cost areas of Arizona, and all of which are "rural telephone companies" as defined by the Communications Act of 1934, as amended.<sup>1</sup> ALECA's Motion states that its members receive support from the FUSF and each provides discounted Lifeline telephone services. Further, ALECA states that Budget's request for designation as an ETC may raise jurisdictional issues regarding the provision of services on tribal lands.

<sup>1</sup> ALECA'S members are: Fort Mojave Telephone Company; Frontier Communications Corporation; Gila River Telecommunications, Inc; Hopi Telecommunications, Inc.; Midvale Telephone Exchange, Inc.; San Carlos Apache Telecommunications Utility, Inc.; South Central Communications; Table Top Telephone Company, Inc; TDS; Tohono O'odham Utility Authority; Valley Telephone Cooperative; and Zona Communications.

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No objections to ALECA's Motion have been filed. Accordingly, the Motion should be granted.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that ALECA is granted intervention in this matter.

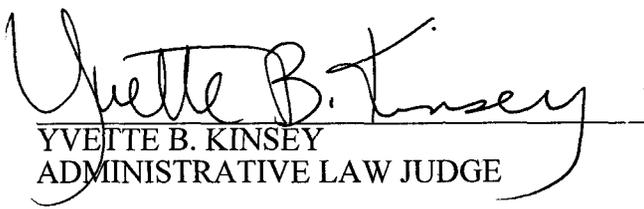
IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Ex Parte Rule (A.A.C. R14-3-113-Unauthorized Communications) applies to this proceeding and shall remain in effect until the Commission's Decision in this matter is final and non-appealable.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that all parties must comply with Arizona Supreme Court Rules 31 and 38 and A.R.S. § 40-243 with respect to the practice of law and admission *pro hac vice*.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that withdrawal of representation must be made in compliance with A.A.C. R14-3-104(E) and Rule 1.16 of the Rules of Professional Conduct (under Arizona Supreme Court Rule 42). Representation before the Commission includes the obligation to appear at all hearings, procedural conferences, and Open Meetings for which the matter is scheduled for discussion, unless counsel has previously been granted permission to withdraw by the Administrative Law Judge or Commission.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Presiding Officer may rescind, alter, amend, or waive any portion of this Procedural Order either by subsequent Procedural Order or by ruling at hearing.

Dated this 30<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2012.

  
YVETTE B. KINSEY  
ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE

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