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October 2, 2012

Docket No. 120175-TP – Application for designation as an eligible telecommunications carrier pursuant to Section 214(e)(2) of the Communications Act of 1934 for the limited purpose of receiving federal universal service low income support for providing lifeline service to qualified households in its rural service territory, by Cox Florida Telecom, LP d/b/a Cox Communications d/b/a Cox Business.

Issue 1: Should Cox be designated as an ETC throughout its rural service territory in Florida?

Recommendation: Yes, staff recommends that Cox’s petition for ETC designation in its rural service areas listed in Attachment B of staff’s memorandum dated September 20, 2012, should be granted for the sole purpose of offering Lifeline discounts to qualifying consumers in Florida. Cox’s rural ETC designation in Florida should be contingent upon the FCC approving Cox’s Petition for Forbearance. The effective date should be the effective date of the FCC’s final order approving Cox’s Petition for Forbearance. If there is a future change of company ownership, the new owners should be required to file a petition with the FPSC and make a showing of public interest to maintain the company’s ETC designation. If Cox should decide in the future to seek high cost universal service funds, it should be required to file a petition and make a showing that it would be in the public interest to grant such a request.

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Issue 2: Should this docket be closed?

Recommendation: If no person whose substantial interests are affected by the proposed agency action files a protest within 21 days of the issuance of the order, this docket should be closed upon issuance of a consummating order.

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