

Decision No. C21-0309-I

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF COLORADO**

PROCEEDING NO. 21A-0176T

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IN THE MATTER OF LTD BROADBAND LLC'S APPLICATION FOR DESIGNATION AS AN ELIGIBLE TELECOMMUNICATIONS CARRIER FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROVIDING SERVICES SUPPORTED BY THE FCC'S RURAL DIGITAL OPPORTUNITY FUND.

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**INTERIM DECISION SHORTENING  
NOTICE AND INTERVENTION PERIOD**

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Mailed Date: May 21, 2021

Adopted Date: May 19, 2021

TO THE PARTIES IN THIS MATTER AND ALL INTERESTED PERSONS, FIRMS, OR CORPORATIONS:

**I. BY THE COMMISSION**

**A. Statement**

1. This Decision establishes a shortened notice and intervention period for the application filed May 7, 2021, by LTD Broadband, LLC (LTD Broadband).

2. Requests for and any notices of intervention by right shall be filed by May 24, 2021.

**B. Discussion**

3. LTD Broadband's Application is the last of the applications for Eligible Telecommunications Carrier (ETC) designation that resulted from the Federal Communications Commission's (FCC) Auction 904, which assigned federal support funding to entities that are seeking to provide broadband to underserved areas. In order to be eligible to receive the federal support, the winning bidders of the auction (LTD Broadband being one of them) must be

designated as an ETC by the state(s) in which they intend to provide service. And they must receive that designation by June 7, 2021.

4. LTD Broadband filed its Application on May 7, 2021, just one month before the FCC's deadline. This Commission initially set the notice and intervention period as 30 days from May 10, 2021. However, given that the Commission cannot act on the merits of the Application until that period has run, LTD Broadband would not have a decision from this Commission before the FCC's deadline.

5. So, this Commission shortens the notice and intervention timeline on its own motion in order to reach the merits of LTD Broadband's Application before the FCC's deadline. Any requests for intervention or notices of intervention by right must be filed by May 24, 2021.

## **II. ORDER**

### **A. It Is Ordered That:**

1. The Notice and Intervention Period for the May 7, 2021 Application filed by LTD Broadband, LLC is shortened to May 24, 2021.

2. This Decision is effective on its mailed date.

**B. ADOPTED IN COMMISSIONERS' WEEKLY MEETING  
May 19, 2021.**

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Doug Dean,  
Director

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