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Brett Mattison
President and COO

March 16, 2020

Mr. Chuck Sexton, President and CEO
One East Kentucky
513 Third Street, Suite 100
Paintsville, KY 41240

RE: ARC POWER 2020 Grant Application – Opportunity East Kentucky: Industry Cluster Growth Initiative (One East Kentucky)

Dear Mr. Sexton:

Kentucky Power is a proud investor in One East Kentucky and your efforts to recruit new targeted industries and working with existing industry that continue to grow right here in Eastern Kentucky. Kentucky Power works tirelessly to make Eastern Kentucky a better place. Our External Affairs and Customer Service teams play a vital role in the region's economic development. We understand the impact economic development has in our region.

This ARC POWER 2020 grant application will significantly affect One East Kentucky's ability to build an even more robust recruitment pipeline and establish a region-wide targeted industry retention program. Kentucky Power pledges to support this ARC-funded project by providing the next two years of pledged investment (totaling \$120,000) within 60 days of the ARC grant award for One East Kentucky's Opportunity East Kentucky: Industry Cluster Growth Initiative. This funding is specifically earmarked as part of OEK's 20 percent match of this ARC project totaling \$1,538,500.

Additionally, our team promises to support this project by: assisting in potential company site visits in conjunction with One East Kentucky; participating in update meetings with One East Kentucky and your board of directors related to the Opportunity East Kentucky: Industry Cluster Growth Initiative project; facilitating relationship-building and participating in meetings with existing targeted industries throughout the region; and reporting on impact metrics relative to gauging the success of this ARC-funded program.

If there are any questions regarding our support of this project, please do not hesitate to contact me at bmattison@aep.com or 606-327-2601.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Brett Mattison". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Brett Mattison
President and COO
Kentucky Power Company

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March 13, 2020

Mr. Chuck Sexton, President and CEO
One East Kentucky
513 Third Street, Suite 100
Paintsville, KY 41240

RE: ARC POWER 2020 Grant Application – Opportunity East Kentucky: Industry Cluster Growth Initiative
(One East Kentucky)

Dear Mr. Sexton,

As a proud investor in One East Kentucky, East Kentucky Network, LLC dba Appalachian Wireless supports the strategy development and implementation of a variety of strategies that promote rebuilding the Eastern Kentucky economy through the recruitment of new jobs and the retention of existing targeted industry jobs.

This ARC POWER 2020 grant application will significantly impact One East Kentucky's ability to build an even more robust recruitment pipeline and establish a region-wide targeted industry retention program. These activities will dramatically impact Eastern Kentucky's efforts in reshaping our economy through the recruitment and retention of desperately needed primary and secondary jobs.

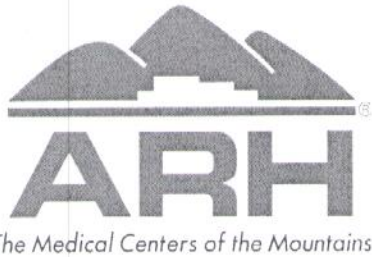
East Kentucky Network, LLC dba Appalachian Wireless pledges to support this ARC-funded project by providing the next two years of pledged investment (totaling \$100,000) within 60 days of the ARC grant award for One East Kentucky's Opportunity East Kentucky: Industry Cluster Growth Initiative. This funding is specifically earmarked as part of OEK's 20 percent match of this ARC project totaling \$1,538,500.

If there are any questions regarding our support of this project, please do not hesitate to contact me at wagillum@ekn.com or 606-791-6015.

Sincerely,



W. Allen Gillum
CEO/General Manager, East Kentucky Network, LLC dba Appalachian Wireless



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March 17, 2020

Mr. Chuck Sexton, President and CEO
One East Kentucky
513 Third Street, Suite 100
Paintsville, KY 41240

RE: ARC POWER 2020 Grant Application – Opportunity East Kentucky: Industry Cluster Growth Initiative (One East Kentucky)

Dear Mr. Sexton,


As a proud investor in One East Kentucky, Appalachian Regional Healthcare, Inc. (ARH) supports the strategy development and implementation of a variety of strategies that promote diversifying and rebuilding the Eastern Kentucky economy through the recruitment of new jobs and the retention of existing targeted industry jobs. Our mission: "To improve health and promote well-being of all people in Central Appalachia in partnership with our communities" aligns perfectly with the goals of One East Kentucky.

This ARC POWER 2020 grant application will significantly impact One East Kentucky's ability to build an even more robust recruitment pipeline and establish a region-wide targeted industry retention program. These activities will dramatically impact Eastern Kentucky's efforts in reshaping our economy through the recruitment and retention of desperately needed primary and secondary jobs.

ARH pledges to support this ARC-funded project by providing the next two years of pledged investment (totaling \$50,000) within 60 days of the ARC grant award for One East Kentucky's Opportunity East Kentucky: Industry Cluster Growth Initiative. This funding is specifically earmarked as part of OEK's 20 percent match of this ARC project totaling \$1,538,500.

If there are any questions regarding our support of this project, please do not hesitate to contact me at jgrossman@arh.org or 859-226-2468.

Sincerely,



Joseph L. Grossman
President & CEO



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April 15, 2020

Mr. Chuck Sexton
President & CEO
One East Kentucky
513 Third Street, Suite 100
Paintsville KY 41240

RE: ARC Power 2020 Grant Application – Opportunity East Kentucky: Industry Cluster Growth Initiative (One East Kentucky)

Dear Mr. Sexton:

Community Trust Bank, Inc. is a proud supporter and investor of One East Kentucky and we further support the strategy of developing and implementing a variety of strategies that promote rebuilding our Eastern Kentucky Economy through the recruitment of new jobs and the retention of current jobs. Our Bank's future depends on a stable vibrant workforce that needs financial services including loans, deposit services and a menu of personal and business banking products and services to meet the needs of our communities.

The successful attainment of this ARC 2020 grant will significantly impact One East Kentucky's ability to build an even more robust recruitment pipeline and establish a regional targeted industry retention program. These activities should dramatically impact Eastern Kentucky's efforts in reshaping and restoring our economy through the recruitment and retention of vitally needed primary and secondary jobs.

Community Trust Bank, Inc. pledges to support this ARC funded project by providing two years of pledged investments (\$60,000) within 60 days of the ARC grant award for One East Kentucky's Opportunity East Kentucky: Industry Cluster Growth Initiative. This funding is specifically earmarked as part of OEK's 20% match of this ARC project totaling \$1,538,500.

We are pleased to provide our continued support in these very troubling and uncertain times as we all battle COVID 19.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Mark A. Gooch".

Mark A. Gooch
President and CEO

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