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Petition for relief to protect Petitioner's Annual
Report from disclosure in order to protect highly
proprietary information.)

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PETITION

NOW COMES, APN Starfirst, LP ("Petitioner") and hereby petitions the Illinois Commerce Commission ("Commission") for relief to protect Petitioner's Annual Report and Supplementary Information from disclosure in order to protect highly proprietary information included therein. In support of this Petition, Petitioner states as follows:

Petitioner is certificated by the Commission to provide Competitive Electric Services in the State of Illinois.

1. Petitioner is certified by the Illinois Commerce Commission to provide Competitive Electric Services in the State of Illinois.
2. Petitioner is required to file an Annual Report pursuant to the Public Utilities Act.
3. The 2015 Annual Report which includes Audited Financial Statements and the accompanying Supplemental Information contains highly proprietary and confidential commercial and financial information. Petitioner is a small enterprise and it believes that competitors or potential competitors might discourage customers and potential customers from availing themselves of our services based solely on the size of our company. Such action would be financially detrimental to the Petitioner.
4. The electric industry is highly competitive and it is imperative that public disclosure of confidential information contained in the Annual Report of Petitioner be avoided for a period of at least two years following the issuance of an Order by the Commission because of the competitive harm which disclosure of such information would likely cause Petitioner.
5. Section 7 of the Illinois Freedom of Information Act, 5 ILCS 140(g), exempts from public disclosure "trade secrets and commercial or financial information where the trade secrets or information are proprietary, privileged or confidential." The Annual Report of Petitioner, which is the subject matter of this Petition, falls within this exemption.

6. Petitioner seeks an Order from this Commission, without hearing, protecting from disclosure in its entirety Petitioner's Annual Report and Supplementary Information.

WHEREFORE, Petitioner respectfully requests that the Commission enter an Order, without hearing, protecting from disclosure in its entirety the 2015 Annual Report of the Petitioner.

DATED this 26th day of April, 2016.

Respectfully submitted,

APN Starfirst, LP

By: *E. F. Carter, Jr.*

Eugene F. Carter, Jr., CFO

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VERIFICATION

Eugene F. Carter, Jr. deposes and states that he is the Controller and that he has read the above and foregoing Petition and knows the contents thereof, and that the same are true to the best of his knowledge, information and belief.

E. F. Carter, Jr.
Eugene F. Carter, Jr.

Subscribed and affirmed before me

This 26th day of April, 2016

Linda F. Jablonski
Notary Public

