

BEFORE THE IDAHO PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

IN THE MATTER OF THE NOTICE OF)	CASE NO. MCM-T-23-01
DISCONTINUANCE OF SERVICES OF)	
MCIMETRO ACCESS TRANSMISSION)	ORDER NO. 36146
SERVICES LLC D/B/A VERIZON ACCESS)	
TRANSMISSION SERVICES AND THE)	
RESULTING AMENDMENT ON THE)	
CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE)	
AND NECESSITY NO. 337)	
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On November 1, 2023, MCImetro Access Transmission Services LLC d/b/a Verizon Access Transmission Services (“Company”) filed a notice, pursuant to *Idaho Code* § 62-612(2), with the Idaho Public Utilities Commission (“Commission”) indicating that the Company would discontinue its provision of basic local exchange services to local residential and small business customers effective on or after December 31, 2023. The Company also represented that bundled interexchange services, caller identification, call forwarding, and voice mail will also be discontinued for these customers.

The Company stated that it was authorized to provide local telecommunications services in Idaho pursuant to Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity (“CPCN”) No. 337 issued by Commission Order No. 33663 in Case No. MCM-T-03-01.

On February 6, 2024, the Company provided additional explanation of its notice and stated that the standalone residential and small business interexchange service provided to large enterprises would not be discontinued at this time, and that long-distance service would continue to be available as a stand-alone offering to all affected customers. The Company stated that it will continue to exist as a wholly owned subsidiary of Verizon Communications Inc. and will continue to provide local telecommunications services in Idaho.

The Company represented that the reason for discontinuing those services was because of a significant decrease in demand, and that the proposed discontinuance would enable the Company to streamline its retail offerings to maximize efficiencies and maintain a high level of customer service. The Company represented that the customers affected by the discontinuance would have ample time to migrate to the alternative provider of their choice.

STAFF COMMENTS

Staff examined the Company's notice and believed that this action would simply amend the Company's type of provided services on the CPCN and update the Company's records with the Commission. Staff confirmed that the Company holds CPCN No. 337, which was issued pursuant to Commission Order No. 33663 in Case No. MCM-T-03-01. Staff verified that the Company is registered with the Idaho Secretary of State as a foreign limited liability company with a principal address of One Verizon Way, Basking Ridge, NJ 07920-1025. Additionally, Staff believed that in filing its notice, the Company complied with all the requirements for the cessation of service in a service area. IDAPA 31.41.01.311.02. Staff believed that the requested changes should be accepted.

COMMISSION FINDINGS AND DECISION

Based upon a review of the Company's request, the Commission finds it is reasonable to approve the Company's request to discontinue providing basic local exchange services and to update the Company's CPCN No. 337. Notably, the Company only provides local exchange service to approximately 10 residential and 2 small business customers, and the Company provides basic local exchange service by leasing unbundled network elements from the incumbent local exchange carrier ("ILEC") or by obtaining service from another local exchange carrier that has similar arrangements with the ILEC. The Company represents that in all instances the ILEC will be available to serve those affected customers, as will several other local exchange carriers and wireless providers, including Verizon Wireless. The Company's request is approved.

ORDER

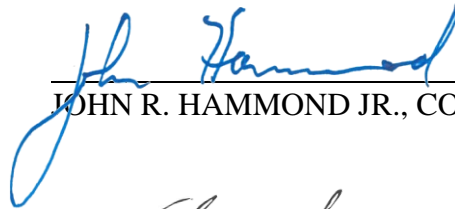
IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the Company's request to discontinue its provision of basic local exchange services and update CPCN No. 337 is approved.

THIS IS A FINAL ORDER. Any person interested in this Order may petition for reconsideration within twenty-one (21) days of the service date upon this Order regarding any matter decided in this Order. Within seven (7) days after any person has petitioned for reconsideration, any other person may cross-petition for reconsideration. *Idaho Code* §§ 61-626 and 62-619.

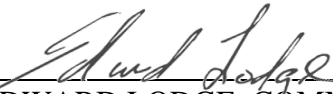
DONE by Order of the Idaho Public Utilities Commission at Boise, Idaho, this 23rd day of April 2024.



ERIC ANDERSON, PRESIDENT



JOHN R. HAMMOND JR., COMMISSIONER



EDWARD LODGE, COMMISSIONER

ATTEST:



Monica Barrios Sanchez
Commission Secretary

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