

BEFORE THE IDAHO PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

IN THE MATTER OF BIRCH)
COMMUNICATIONS, INC.'S APPLICATION) CASE NO. BIR-T-18-01
FOR A CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC)
CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY) ORDER NO. 34042
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In February 2018, the Commission issued Order No. 33995, which granted Birch Communications, Inc. (“Company”) a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to provide local exchange and interexchange telecommunications services in Idaho. Prior to issuance of the certificate, Commission Staff worked with the Company to file a final price list outlining all rate and terms and conditions according to IDAPA 31.01.01.133 and Order Nos. 33995 and 26665.

On April 5, 2018, Birch Communications, Inc. notified the Commission that it had changed the name under which it does business in Idaho from Birch Communications, Inc. to Birch Communications, LLC. The Company provided an Idaho Certificate of Authority from the Idaho Secretary of State’s office and a foreign registration statement. Along with its name change request, Birch also included its finalized Access Services Tariff, which allowed Staff to complete its review of the Company’s tariffs prior to issuance of the Certificate approved in Order No. 33995. Staff reviewed both the notice of name change and the Access Services Tariff and recommended approval.

Based on our review of the name change notice, its submittal of a final Access Services Tariff, and consistent with our findings in Order No. 33995, the Commission now finds it appropriate to issue Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity No. 522 to Birch Communications, LLC.

ORDER

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity No. 522 is issued to Birch Communications, LLC, to reflect its proper name and our findings in Order No. 33995.

THIS IS A FINAL ORDER. Any person interested in this Order may petition for reconsideration within twenty-one (21) days of the service date of this Order with regard to any matter decided in this Order in Case No. BIR-T-18-01. Within seven (7) days after any person

has petitioned for reconsideration, any other person may cross-petition for reconsideration. See *Idaho Code* §§ 61-626 and 62-619.

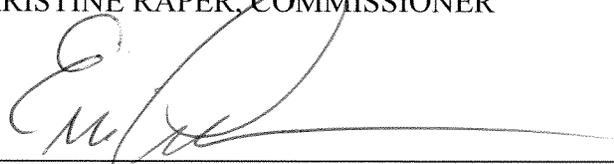
DONE by Order of the Idaho Public Utilities Commission at Boise, Idaho this *23rd* day of April 2018.



PAUL KJELLANDER, PRESIDENT

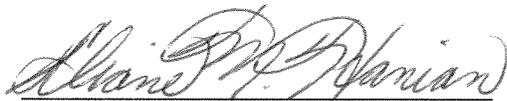


KRISTINE RAPER, COMMISSIONER



ERIC ANDERSON, COMMISSIONER

ATTEST:



Diane M. Hanian
Commission Secretary

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