BEFORE THE IDAHO PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

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IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF INLAND CELLULAR LLC FOR CONDITIONAL EXPANSION OF ITS DESIGNATION AS AN ELIGIBLE TELECOMMUNICATIONS CARRIER

CASE NO. INC-T-13-01 NOTICE OF APPLICATION NOTICE OF MODIFIED PROCEDURE ORDER NO. 32909

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that on October 4, 2013, Inland Cellular LLC ("Inland" or "Company"), a subsidiary of Inland Cellular Telephone Corporation ("ICTC"), filed an Application for conditional expansion of its ETC status in Idaho. The Commission previously granted ETC status to ICTC in Order No. 30212.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that Inland is a Washington corporation, authorized to do business in the State of Idaho, with its business offices located in Roslyn, Washington.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that Inland requests that the Commission grant a conditional expansion of Inland's ETC area to include areas outside its existing ETC area for the purposes of establishing eligibility to participate in the Tribal Mobility Fund Phase I auction to be held by the Federal Communications Commission ("FCC") on December 19, 2013 ("Auction 902").

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that Inland states that in order to participate in Auction 902 an applicant must be designated as an ETC for the areas on which it wishes to bid for Tribal Mobility Fund Phase I support at the time it submits its Short Form Application. Inland notes that the deadline for Short Form Applications was scheduled for October 9, 2013. However, subsequent conversations with representatives of the Company revealed that the Company believes this deadline will be pushed back due to the current "federal government shutdown."

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that Inland states that the FCC's Auction 902 will award one-time support to carriers that commit to provide 3G or better mobile voice and

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YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that Inland states that Auction 902 will make the award of funds through reverse competitive bidding, with the winning bidder complying with all requirements of an ETC and covering 75% or more of the population associated with the eligible blocks in each bidding area for which it receives funds.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that Inland states that it continues to meet the minimum eligibility requirements for designation as an ETC in Idaho including, but not limited to: common carrier status; offers services supported by federal universal service support mechanisms; utilizes its own facilities to provide the supported services; provides the supported services throughout its designated service area; advertises the availability of its universal service offerings and charges for such offerings using media of general distribution; makes Lifeline service available to qualifying low-income consumers; and meets additional application requirements as required.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that Inland believes that granting its Application for conditional expansion of its ETC service area to include census blocks outside its existing ETC area is in the public interest. Inland asserts that Tribal Mobility Fund Phase I support will allow the Company to provide Tribal consumers with competitive pricing, new services, and a higher level of service quality and customer service.

NOTICE OF MODIFIED PROCEDURE

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that the Commission has determined that the public interest may not require a formal hearing in this matter and will proceed under Modified Procedure pursuant to Rules 201 through 204 of the Idaho Public Utilities Commission's Rules of Procedure, IDAPA 31.01.01.201 through .204. The Commission notes that Modified Procedure and written comments have proven to be an effective means for obtaining public input and participation.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that any person desiring to state a position on this Application may file a written comment in support or opposition with the Commission within twenty-one (21) days from the service date of this Notice. The comment must contain a statement of reasons supporting the comment. Persons desiring a hearing must specifically request a hearing in their written comments. Written comments concerning this Application shall be mailed to the Commission and the Applicant at the addresses reflected below:

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Idaho Public Utilities Commission	Inland Cellular LLC
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Boise, ID 83702-5918	

These comments should contain the case caption and case number shown on the first page of this document. Persons desiring to submit comments via e-mail may do so by accessing the Commission's home page located at <u>www.puc.idaho.gov</u>. Click the "Case Comment or Question Form" under the "Consumers" tab, and complete the comment form using the case number as it appears on the front of this document. These comments must also be sent to the Applicant at the e-mail address listed above.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that if no written comments or protests are received within the time limit set, the Commission will consider this matter on its merits and enter its Order without a formal hearing. If written comments are received within the time limit set, the Commission will consider them and, in its discretion, may set the same for formal hearing.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that the Application has been filed with the Commission and is available for public inspection during regular business hours at the Commission offices. The Application is also available on the Commission's web site at <u>www.puc.idaho.gov</u>. Click on the "File Room" tab at the top of the page, scroll down to "Open Telephone Cases," and then click on the case number as shown on the front of this document.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that all proceedings in this case will be held pursuant to the Commission's jurisdiction under Title 62 of the Idaho Code and specifically *Idaho Code* § 62-610D. The Commission may enter any final Order consistent with its authority under Title 62.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that all proceedings in this matter will be conducted pursuant to the Commission's Rules of Procedure, IDAPA 31.01.01.000 *et seq*.

ORDER

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that this Application will be processed under Modified Procedure. Persons interested in submitting written comments regarding this case or protesting the use of Modified Procedure should do so no later than 21 days from the service date of this Order.

DONE by Order of the Idaho Public Utilities Commission at Boise, Idaho this 17th day of October 2013.

PAUL KJELLANDER. PRESIDENT

MACK A. REDFORD, COMMISSIONER

MARSHA H. SMITH, COMMISSIONER

ATTEST:

Jean D. Jewell () Commission Secretary

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