BEFORE THE IDAHO PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

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) CASE NO. TMW-T-10-01
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S) NOTICE OF APPLICATION
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) NOTICE OF
) MODIFIED PROCEDURE
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) ORDER NO. 32543
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YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that on April 11, 2012, T-Mobile West Corporation, a wholly owned subsidiary of T-Mobile U.S.A., Inc. ("T-Mobile" or "Company"), filed an Application, pursuant to 47 U.S.C. § 214(e)(2), 47 C.F.R. § 54.1003, and Order No. 29841, seeking conditional designation as an eligible telecommunications carrier ("ETC") in the State of Idaho for the purpose of participating in the Mobility Fund Phase I Auction to be held at the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) on September 27, 2012.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that T-Mobile states that the FCC, in its *USF/ICC Transformation Order*, established for the first time a universal service support mechanism dedicated exclusively to mobile services – the Mobility Fund. The Auction will provide \$300 million in one-time support to immediately accelerate deployment of networks for mobile voice and broadband services in unserved areas.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that T-Mobile asserts that there are numerous unserved census block groups in Idaho where carriers may bid to receive Mobility Fund support to build infrastructure to deliver 3G or better broadband and voice service. In order to participate in the Auction a carrier must be designated as an ETC in all census blocks for which it desires to submit a bid. A carrier must also be designated as an ETC at the time it files its short-form application for participation in the auction.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that T-Mobile states that the FCC has not yet set a deadline but the Company estimates that its short-form application could be due as early as June 29, 2012. T-Mobile wishes to participate in the FCC's Mobility Fund Phase I Auction to bring voice and mobile broadband services to unserved areas in Idaho.

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YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that T-Mobile believes that Commission approval of its Application would serve the public interest because it would allow T-Mobile to bid in the FCC's Auction 901 and, if successful, deploy mobile wireless infrastructure in order to provide mobile voice and broadband service to unserved areas of the state that would benefit consumers in rural Idaho. Due to time constraints regarding participation in the FCC's Mobility Fund Auction, T-Mobile requested an expedited review and consideration of its Application.

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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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 www.puc.idaho.gov. Click the "Comments and Questions" icon, 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 T-Mobile 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 www.puc.idaho.gov by clicking on "File Room" and then "Telephone Cases."

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.

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ORDER

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that T-Mobile's Application for a conditional designation as an eligible telecommunications carrier in the State of Idaho 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 3^{rd} day of May 2012.

PAUL KJELLANDER, PRESIDENT

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