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Broadcast-Quality TV Now Playing On Wireless Phones In Metropolitan Detroit

Note: Verizon Wireless issued the following Press Release on December 7, 2007. For additional information contact Michelle Gilbert at (248) 915-3680 or Alan Upchurch at (248) 855-6777

Wait times at the airport, doctors' offices and restaurants just got a little bit more interesting for Verizon Wireless customers in metropolitan Detroit who can now watch broadcast quality television on select TV-enabled handsets. V CAST Mobile TV from Verizon Wireless offers customers in parts of ...

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. . . southeastern Michigan broadcast-quality picture and sound from the best of broadcast and cable television, including live shows and other mobile television content 24 hours a day.

With V CAST Mobile TV on their Verizon Wireless phones, customers can catch sporting events, breaking news and their favorite network TV shows – not to mention make phone calls – while on-the-go.

V CAST Mobile TV offers programming for TV viewers of all ages and interests including the “Late Show with David Letterman,” “24” and “Dora the Explorer.” The service offers live shows and mobile television content from many of the best-known entertainment brands, including CBS Mobile, Comedy Central, ESPN Mobile TV, Fox Mobile, MTV, NBC 2GO, NBC News2GO, and Nickelodeon.

The service also comes with parental control features, so parents can monitor and restrict the programs their children view.

“Our customers can now take advantage of downtime and catch up on favorite shows,” said Greg Haller, president – Michigan/Indiana/Kentucky region, Verizon Wireless. “V CAST Mobile TV is unlike any other mobile television service available right now. It’s like watching TV at home with a range of channels offering great shows and sporting events from which to choose.”

V CAST Mobile TV from Verizon Wireless is powered on the FLO TV™ service from MediaFLO USA Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of Qualcomm Incorporated.

Monthly access packages for V CAST Mobile TV range from \$13 to \$25 per month. For the latest information on V CAST Mobile TV from Verizon Wireless, including programs, handsets, pricing, and availability, visit the V CAST Mobile TV website at www.verizonwireless.com/mobiletv.

Metro Detroit customers can also visit any local Verizon Wireless Communications Store for information on V CAST Mobile TV.

For more information about Verizon Wireless products and services, call 1-800-2 JOIN IN or go to www.verizonwireless.com.

PENDING LEGISLATION |

The following is a list of active telecommunications bills that have been introduced during the current legislative session. Copies of bills and public acts referred to in this column may be obtained by contacting your state Senator or Representative, on the Michigan Legislature Web site, <<http://www.michiganlegislature.org/>>, or from the Legislative Service Bureau Document Room at (517) 373-0169.

Senate Bill # Primary Sponsor	Date Introduced	Description	Status (revisions in bold)
SB 002 Hardiman	01/10/2007	Campaign finance; public disclosure; disclosure of committees that employ and registration of persons who make “robocalls” in campaigns; require. Amends sec. 6 of 1976 PA 388 (MCL 169.206) & adds sec. 48.	Referred to Senate Committee on Campaign and Election Oversight.
SB 003 Hardiman	01/10/2007	Elections; campaign practices; do-not-call list for automated political telephone calls; provide for.	04/04/2007 Referred to Senate Committee of the Whole with Substitute S-3.
SB 004 Hardiman	01/10/2007	Communications; cellular telephone; customer consent to list numbers in a cell phone directory; require. Amends 1991 PA 179 (MCL 484.2101 <i>et seq.</i>) by adding sec. 360a.	Referred to Senate Committee on Homeland Security and Emerging Technologies.
SB 058 Stamas	01/24/2007	Campaign finance; campaign practices; telephonic communications; require disclosure stating who is paying for call and whether authorized by candidate.	Referred to Senate Committee on Campaign and Election Oversight.
SB 108 Basham	01/30/2007	Communications; telecommunications; eligibility date to opt into METRO funds; revise. Amends sec. 13 of 2002 PA 48 (MCL 484.3113).	Referred to Senate Committee on Energy Policy.
SB 131 Cherry	01/31/2007	Communications; telecommunications; 9-1-1 system to pinpoint caller location; provide for. Amends 1986 PA 32 (MCL 484.1101 - 484.1717) by adding sec. 408a.	Referred to Senate Committee on Energy Policy.

Senate Bill # Primary Sponsor	Date Introduced	Description	Status (revisions in bold)
SB 143 Brown	01/31/2007	Criminal procedure; sentencing guidelines; sentencing guidelines for crime of installing spyware on another person's computer without consent; enact. Amends sec. 17c, ch. XVII of 1927 PA 175 (MCL 777.17c). Tie Bar with SB 144.	Referred to Senate Committee on Judiciary.
SB 144 Brown	01/31/2007	Crimes; computer; installing spyware on another person's computer without consent; prohibit, and provide penalties. Amends sec. 7 of 1979 PA 53 (MCL 752.797) & adds sec. 5b.	Referred to Senate Committee on Judiciary.
SB 145 Brown	01/31/2007	Civil procedure; civil actions; installing spyware or adware onto another individual's computer without consent; prohibit and provide remedies for. Creates new act.	Referred to Senate Committee on Judiciary.
SB 284 Richardville	02/27/2007	Campaign finance; campaign practices; telephonic communications; require disclosure stating who is paying for call and whether authorized by candidate. Amends 1976 PA 388 (MCL 169.201 - 169.282) by adding sec. 48.	04/19/2007 Substitute S-2 passed Senate, 38 Yeas, 0 Nays. Referred to House Committee on Ethics and Elections.
SB 410 Brown	04/18/2007	Communications; telecommunications; funding system for the emergency telephone service enabling act; modify. Amends title & secs. 101, 102, 201, 202, 203, 205, 301, 302, 303, 306, 307, 308, 312, 319, 320 & 401 of 1986 PA 32 (MCL 484.1101 et seq.) & adds secs. 401a, 401b & 401c. Tie Bar with SB 411.	12/27/2007 Signed by Governor Jennifer Granholm; assigned PA 164 with Immediate Effect.
SB 411 Brown	04/18/2007	Communications; telecommunications; funding system for the emergency telephone service enabling act; modify. Amends secs. 402, 403, 404, 405, 406, 407, 408, 410, 412, 413, 502, 504, 506, 601, 602, 605, 712, 714, 716 & 717 of 1986 PA 32 (MCL 484.1402 et seq.) & repeals. Tie Bar with SB 410.	12/27/2007 Signed by Governor Jennifer Granholm; assigned PA 165 with Immediate Effect.

Senate Bill # Primary Sponsor	Date Introduced	Description	Status (revisions in bold)
SB 449 Kahn	04/26/2007	Transportation; school vehicles; use of cellular telephone while operating a school bus; prohibit, and provide penalties. Amends 1990 PA 187 (MCL 257.1801 - 257.1877) by adding sec. 58.	Referred to Senate Committee on Education.
SB 585 Patterson	06/12/2007	Public utilities; restructuring; oversight of proposed mergers, sales, or acquisitions of public utilities; clarify. Amends 1939 PA 3 (MCL 460.1 - 460.10cc) by adding sec. 6r.	Referred to Senate Committee on Energy Policy and Public Utilities.
SB 636 Thomas	07/17/2007	Communications; other; video service provider; clarify public, education, and government access fee. Amends sec. 6 of 2006 PA 480 (MCL 484.3306).	Referred to Senate Committee on Energy Policy and Public Utilities.
SB 637 Thomas	07/17/2007	Communications; other; video service provider; clarify. Amends sec. 10 of 2006 PA 480 (MCL 484.3310).	Referred to Senate Committee on Energy Policy and Public Utilities.
SB 679 Patterson	08/22/2007	Communications; telecommunications; sunset on 9-1-1 emergency service district; extend. Amends sec. 717 of 1986 PA 32 (MCL 484.1717).	12/06/2007 Passed Senate 36 Yeas, 0 Nays, 1 Excused, 1 Not Voting; Referred to House Committee on Oversight and Investigations.
SB 783 Thomas	09/18/2007	Traffic control; violations; operation of a vehicle while using certain electronic devices; prohibit. Amends sec. 320a of 1949 PA 300 (MCL 257.320a) & adds sec. 602b.	Referred to Senate Committee on Energy Policy and Public Utilities.
SB 815 Patterson	09/25/2007	Communications; telecommunications; technical and operational charge for emergency telephone service enabling act; extend sunset. Amends sec. 401 of 1986 PA 32 (MCL 484.1401).	12/06/2007 Passed Senate: 37 Yeas, 0 Nays, 1 Excused; Referred to House Committee on Oversight and Investigations.
SB 819 Garcia	10/04/2007	Communications; cellular telephone; active duty military personnel; allow to cancel cellular telephone contract without penalties. Amends 1991 PA 179 (MCL 484.2101 - 484.2604) by adding sec. 304b.	Referred to Senate Committee on Senior Citizens and Veterans Affairs.
SB 945 Patterson	12/04/2007	Communications; internet; obtaining personal information by false pretenses; prohibit. Amends secs. 3 & 7 of 2004 PA 452 (MCL 445.63 & 445.67) & adds sec. 7a.	Referred to Senate Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill # Primary Sponsor	Date Introduced	Description	Status (revisions in bold)
HB 4041 Lemmons	01/22/2007	Corrections; state facilities; telephone system for state correctional facilities; impose requirements.	Referred to House Committee on Judiciary.
HB 4057 Nofs	01/22/2007	Campaign finance; public disclosure; telephone or electronic campaigning; require message to include payer's identification and whether approved by candidate, and revise identifying statement for radio or television campaign ads.	Referred to House Committee on Ethics and Elections.
HB 4239 Sak	03/14/2007	Campaign finance; public disclosure; telephone or electronic campaigning; require message to include payer's identification and whether approved by candidate, and revise identifying statement for radio or television campaign ads.	Substitute H-1 Passed House, 107 Yeas, 0 Nays; referred to Senate Committee on Campaign and Election Oversight.
HB 4293 Miller	02/20/2007	Law enforcement; investigations; use of eavesdropping devices in hostage or other emergency situations; allow. Amends secs. 539a & 539g of 1931 PA 328 (MCL 750.539a & 750.539g) & adds sec. 539l.	Referred to House Judiciary Committee.
HB 4333 Wenke	02/27/2007	Campaign finance; public disclosure; disclosure of persons who make automated telephone calls related to candidates or elections; require.	Referred to House Committee on Ethics and Elections.
HB 4461 Rocca	03/15/2007	Transportation; school vehicles; use of cellular telephone while operating a school bus; prohibit. Amends 1990 PA 187 (MCL 257.1801 - 257.1877) by adding sec. 58.	Referred to House Committee on Transportation.
HB 4581 Condino	04/05/2007	Communications; telecommunications; tax on satellite television sales; provide for at same rate as cable franchise agreements. Amends secs. 1 & 2 of 1933 PA 167 (MCL 205.51 & 205.52).	Referred to House Committee on Tax Policy.
HB 4717 Opsommer	05/08/2007	Campaign finance; public disclosure; telephone or electronic campaigning; require message to include payer's identification and whether approved by candidate, and revise identifying statement for radio or television campaign ads. Amends sec. 47 of 1976 PA 388 (MCL 169.247) & adds sec. 48.	Referred to House Committee on Oversight and Investigations.

House Bill # Primary Sponsor	Date Introduced	Description	Status (revisions in bold)
HB 4726 Cushingberry	05/08/2007	Communications; telecommunications; amendments to the emergency telephone service enabling act; provide for. Amends sec. 102 of 1986 PA 32 (MCL 484.1102) & adds sec. 408a.	Referred to House Committee on Appropriations.
HB 4852 Cushingberry	05/24/2007	Communications; telecommunications; public safety charge; provide for. Amends 1986 PA 32 (MCL 484.1101 - 484.1717) by adding sec. 408a.	Referred to House Committee on Appropriations.
HB 4982 Polidori	06/27/2007	Traffic control; violations; use of mobile phones while operating a motor vehicle; prohibit. Amends sec. 320a of 1949 PA 300 (MCL 257.320a) & adds sec. 602b.	Referred to House Committee on Transportation.
HB 5047 Johnson	07/24/2007	Communications; other; video service provider; clarify public, education, and government access fee. Amends sec. 6 of 2006 PA 480 (MCL 484.3306).	Referred to House Committee on Energy and Technology.
HB 5048 Accavitta	07/24/2007	Communications; other; video service provider; clarify. Amends sec. 10 of 2006 PA 480 (MCL 484.3310).	Referred to House Committee on Energy and Technology.
HB 5090 Stakoe	08/08/2007	Civil rights; public records; access to home address and telephone number of a public employee; exclude from freedom of information act. Amends sec. 13 of 1976 PA 442 (MCL 15.243).	Referred to House Committee on Government Relations.
HB 5112 Robertson	08/21/2007	Crimes; telecommunications; malicious use of service provided by telecommunications service provider; provide for increased penalty under certain circumstances. Amends sec. 540e of 1931 PA 328 (MCL 750.540e).	Referred to House Committee on Judiciary.
HB 5113 Robertson	08/21/2007	Criminal procedure; sentencing guidelines; sentencing guidelines for crime of malicious use of service provided by telecommunications service provider; enact. Amends sec. 16z, ch. XVII of 1927 PA 175 (MCL 777.16z). TIE BAR WITH: HB 5112'07	Referred to House Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill # Primary Sponsor	Date Introduced	Description	Status (revisions in bold)
HB 5117 Bieda	08/21/2007	Traffic control; violations; penalties for operating a motor vehicle while reading, manually writing, or sending a message on an electronic wireless device; provide for. Amends 1949 PA 300 (MCL 257.1 - 257.923) by adding sec. 602b.	Referred to House Committee on Transportation.
HB 5131 Dean	08/22/2007	Criminal procedure; sex offender registration; registered sex offenders to provide certain information regarding their internet service; require.	Referred to House Committee on Judiciary.
HB 5133 Law	08/22/2007	Criminal procedure; sex offender registration; reporting requirements; expand to include a valid electronic mail address and user name. Amends sec. 7 of 1994 PA 295 (MCL 28.727).	Referred to House Committee on Judiciary.
HB 5134 Law	08/22/2007	Crimes; criminal sexual conduct; access to commercial social networking websites by certain sex offenders; restrict. Amends 1931 PA 328 (MCL 750.1 - 750.568) by adding sec. 411u.	Referred to House Committee on Judiciary.
HB 5150 A. Smith	08/30/2007	Crimes; other; knowing an individual needs emergency help; require to call 9-1-1. Amends 1931 PA 328 (MCL 750.1 - 750.568) by adding sec. 499.	Referred to House Committee on Judiciary.
HB 5240 Garfield	09/18/2007	Communications; internet; Michigan broadband authority; eliminate. Repeals 2002 PA 49 (MCL 484.3201 - 484.3225).	Referred to House Committee on New Economy and Quality of Life.
HB 5338 Caul	10/23/2007	Communications; cellular telephone; individuals called into active duty; allow to cancel cellular telephone contract without penalties. Amends 1991 PA 179 (MCL 484.2101 - 484.2604) by adding sec. 304c.	Referred to House Committee on Military and Veterans Affairs and Homeland Security.
HB 5361 Moss	10/24/2007	Crimes; other; tampering with, defacing, or stealing utility equipment; increase penalties. Amends sec. 383a of 1931 PA 328 (MCL 750.383a).	Referred to House Committee on Judiciary.
HB 5396	10/31/2007	Traffic control; violations; penalties for operating a motor vehicle while sending or receiving a message on an electronic wireless device; provide for.	Referred to House Committee on Transportation.

PUBLIC ACTS OF 2007 |

Listed below are Public Acts related to telecommunications that have been passed during the current legislative session (2007-2008). Copies of Public Acts may be obtained by contacting your state Senator or Representative, on the Michigan Legislature Web site, <<http://www.michiganlegislature.org/>>, or from the Legislative Service Bureau Document Room at (517) 373-0169. Acts passed since the previous edition of the *Michigan Telecommunications Report* are in bold.

Public Act No.	Effective Date	Description	Enrolled Bill No. and Sponsor
2007 PA 164	12/27/2007	Communications; telecommunications; funding system for the emergency telephone service enabling act; modify. Amends title & secs. 101, 102, 201, 202, 203, 205, 301, 302, 303, 306, 307, 308, 312, 319, 320 & 401 of 1986 PA 32 (MCL 484.1101 <i>et seq.</i>) & adds secs. 401a, 401b & 401c. Tie Bar with Enrolled SB 411.	Enrolled SB 410 Brown
2007 PA 165	12/27/2007	Communications; telecommunications; funding system for the emergency telephone service enabling act; modify. Amends secs. 402, 403, 404, 405, 406, 407, 408, 410, 412, 413, 502, 504, 506, 601, 602, 605, 712, 714, 716 & 717 of 1986 PA 32 (MCL 484.1402 <i>et seq.</i>) & repeals. Tie Bar with Enrolled SB 410.	Enrolled SB 411 Brown

ORDERS ISSUED BY MPSC |

The Michigan Public Service Commission issued the following Orders its regularly scheduled meeting held on December 18, 2007 at 1:30 p.m.:

Case No. U-11756

Payphone Rates

Michigan Pay Telephone Association v. Ameritech Michigan and GTE North Incorporated

<http://efile.mpsc.cis.state.mi.us/efile/viewcase.php?casenum=11756>

On December 18, 2007, the Michigan Public Service Commission (“Commission”) issued an Order accepting a Confidential Settlement Agreement in this proceeding. According to the Order, the Confidential Settlement Agreement settles all remaining disputed issues. The parties agreed on a total proposed refund amount, with interest. The Confidential Settlement Agreement provides for AT&T Michigan f/k/a Ameritech Michigan to issue one check to the Michigan Pay Telephone Association (“MPTA”), with the funds to be held in trust for the benefit of the 62 individual named member complainants. MPTA will be responsible for subsequent distribution of those funds. MPTA has

agreed to defend, indemnify, and hold AT&T Michigan harmless for all amounts that are due and owing to the complainants under the Commission's previous order in this proceeding. In accepting the Settlement Agreement the Commission closed this docket.

Case No. U-12412

License Rescission

OnFiber Carrier Services, Inc.

On December 18, 2007, the Michigan Public Service Commission ("Commission") issued an Order rescinding the license of OnFiber Carrier Services, Inc. to provide basic local exchange service in the State of Michigan. On November 15, 2007, OnFiber Carrier Services, Inc. indicated its intent to surrender the license. OnFiber Carrier Services, Inc. states that it ceased to provide services to customers in Michigan on October 31, 2007.

Case No. U-14776

Small and Minority Owned Business Plans

Commission's Own Motion

<http://efile.mpsc.cis.state.mi.us/efile/viewcase.php?casenum=14776>

On December 18, 2007, the Michigan Public Service Commission ("Commission") issued an Order closing Docket No. U-14776. This docket had been opened on February 9, 2006 to implement MCL 484.2504, which was amended by 2005 PA 235 to require each telecommunications provider doing business in the State of Michigan to file a small and minority owned business plan. Such plans were required to be filed by April 1, 2006.

Case No. U-14819

Rulemaking – Bankrupt License Transfers

Commission's Own Motion

<http://efile.mpsc.cis.state.mi.us/efile/viewcase.php?casenum=14819>

On December 18, 2007, the Michigan Public Service Commission ("Commission") issued an Order and Notice of Hearing along with proposed rules governing the transfer of telecommunications licenses held by bankrupt providers. The proposed rules would require a provider who files for bankruptcy to notify the Commission within 10 days of such filing. If a Bankruptcy Court orders the bankrupt provider's license transferred to another provider: 1) if that transfer will not result an expansion of the license recipient's territory, then the recipient shall notify the Commission within 10 days; or 2) if the transfer results in an expansion of the license recipient's territory, then the recipient shall file an application to temporarily and permanently expand its license within 30 days. Interested parties may file written comments regarding the Commission's proposed rules. Comments must be filed in Case No. U-14819 and received no later than 5:00 p.m. on Thursday, February 14, 2008. A public hearing will be held to provide interested persons with the opportunity to comment on the proposed rules at 9:00 a.m. on Thursday, January 24, 2008 at the Commission's Offices.

Case No. U-14962

Rulemaking – Quality Service

Commission's Own Motion

<http://efile.mpsc.cis.state.mi.us/efile/viewcase.php?casenum=14962>

On December 18, 2007, the Michigan Public Service Commission ("Commission") issued an Order Denying Rehearing, denying the rehearing requests of AT&T Michigan, Verizon North Inc. and Contel of the South, Inc. d/b/a Verizon North Systems (collectively "Verizon"). The Petitions for Rehearing had argued that the Commission had improperly included reference to the National Electric Safety Code in its Quality Service Rules and that penalties were improper. The Commission found

that AT&T and Verizon had not met the standard for granting a rehearing of the Commission's September 18, 2007 Order establishing new Quality Service Rules.

Case No. U-14962

Rulemaking – Quality Service

Commission's Own Motion

<http://efile.mpsc.cis.state.mi.us/efile/viewcase.php?casenum=14962>

On December 18, 2007, the Michigan Public Service Commission (“Commission”) issued an Order Formally Adopting Telecommunications Service Quality Rules indicating that the requirements of the Administrative Procedures Act of 1969, MCL 24.201 *et seq.*, had been satisfied, and the new rules should be adopted and transmitted to the State Office of Administrative Hearings and Rules for filing with the Secretary of State.

Case No. U-14975

Dispute Between Carriers

Michigan Communications Carriers Association, CMC Telecom, Inc., and Grid4 Communications, Inc. v AT&T Michigan

<http://efile.mpsc.cis.state.mi.us/efile/viewcase.php?casenum=14975>

On December 18, 2007, the Michigan Public Service Commission (“Commission”) issued an Order closing this docket. On February 27, 2007, the Commission issued an Order in which it found that AT&T Michigan's tariff for long-term promotional service programs violated federal law and directed AT&T Michigan to consult with the Commission Staff to improve the usefulness and functioning of its CLEC Online Handbook and to file certain reports. Based on those reports, Commission Staff has recommended that due to the complexity and overwhelming amount of information that is found on the CLEC Online website that AT&T Michigan provide to the Staff an annual informal progress update concerning the CLEC Online website. The Commission has adopted this recommendation and closed this proceeding.

Case No. U-15280

Virtual NXX

Commission's Own Motion

<http://efile.mpsc.cis.state.mi.us/efile/viewcase.php?casenum=15280>

On December 18, 2007, the Michigan Public Service Commission (“Commission”) issued an Order closing this docket. On April 24, 2007, the Commission issued an order to oversee the implementation of Section 304(9) of the Michigan Telecommunications Act (“MTA”), MCL 484.2304(9). The Commission determined that Section 304(9) provides for the treatment of Virtual NXX (“VNXX”) calls as toll that now are rated as local, unless the provider's tariff defines them as local. The Commission directed each basic local exchange service provider to do one of two things: (1) file a new tariff defining these calls as local (to maintain the *status quo*); or (2) demonstrate that it had provided notice to its customers that these calls would become toll calls (and subject to toll charges from the customer's chosen toll provider) after December 31, 2007. Carriers were directed to make a compliance filing by July 1, 2007. In closing this docket, the Commission reiterated that any provider that has not yet complied with the Commission's Orders in this proceeding must maintain the *status quo* with regard to this traffic until they have complied with the Commission's previous Orders.

Case No. U-15360
Osirus Communications, Inc.
<http://efile.mpsc.cis.state.mi.us/efile/viewcase.php?casenum=15360>

Eligible Telecommunications Carrier

On December 18, 2007, the Michigan Public Service Commission (“Commission”) issued an Order designating Osirus Communications, Inc. an Eligible Telecommunications Carrier (“ETC”) for purposes of Universal Service Fund (“USF”) support in the eight currently unserved areas in Gladwin, Presque Isle, Montmorency, Oscoda, Cheboygan, Ogemaw, and Alcona counties, described in the Commission’s October 9, 2007 order in Case No. U-15356.

Case No. U-15381
Quick Communications, Inc. v AT&T Michigan
<http://efile.mpsc.cis.state.mi.us/efile/viewcase.php?casenum=15381>

Interconnection Agreement Dispute

Case No. U-15391
Quick Communications, Inc. v AT&T Michigan
<http://efile.mpsc.cis.state.mi.us/efile/viewcase.php?casenum=15391>

Interconnection Agreement Dispute

On December 18, 2007, the Michigan Public Service Commission (“Commission”) issued an Order adopting the Confidential Mediator’s recommendation resolving the August 28, 2007 Complaint of Quick Communications, Inc. against AT&T Michigan in Case No. U-15381 and the September 6, 2007 Complaint of Quick Communications, Inc. against AT&T Michigan in Case No. U-15391. Both Complaints alleged violations of the parties’ Interconnection Agreement.

Case No. U-15390
Michael J. Leonard v MCImetro Access Transmission, d/b/a Verizon Access Transmission Services

Consumer Complaint: Billing Dispute

On December 18, 2007, the Michigan Public Service Commission (“Commission”) issued an Order dismissing, with prejudice, the Complaint of Michael J. Leonard against MCImetro Access Transmission, d/b/a Verizon Access Transmission Services alleging a billing dispute. On November 26, 2007, Mr. Leonard filed a request to withdraw the complaint with prejudice.

Case No. U-15468
TDS Metrocom, LLC, and Lucre, Inc.
<http://efile.mpsc.cis.state.mi.us/efile/viewcase.php?casenum=15468>
Application filed November 15, 2007 for approval of an Interconnection Agreement.

Interconnection Agreement

Case No. U-15475
The Winn Telephone Company and Sprint Spectrum L.P. and Nextel West Corp.
<http://efile.mpsc.cis.state.mi.us/efile/viewcase.php?casenum=15475>
Application filed November 29, 2007 for approval of an Interconnection Agreement.

Interconnection Agreement

Case No. U-15476

Interconnection Agreement

Charter Fiberlink - Michigan, LLC, and Chatham Telephone Company, Communication Corporation of Michigan, Shiawassee Telephone Company, and Wolverine Telephone Company
<http://efile.mpsc.cis.state.mi.us/efile/viewcase.php?casenum=15476>
Application filed December 3, 2007 for approval of an Interconnection Agreement.

On December 18, 2007, the Michigan Public Service Commission (“Commission”) issued an Order approving the above listed Interconnection Agreements and Interconnection Agreement Amendments.

APPLICATIONS AND COMPLAINTS |

Case No. U-15154

Consumer Complaint: Billing Dispute

Audrey M. Douglas v AT&T Michigan

On December 18, 2007, Audrey M. Douglas, of Detroit, filed a formal Complaint with the Michigan Public Service Commission (“Commission”) against AT&T Michigan alleging that she was overcharged Internet service. Ms. Douglas seeks reimbursement of the amount she was overcharged and reimbursement of her costs.

Case No. U-15181

Consumer Complaint: Slamming

Joan Jarzembowski v AT&T Michigan

On December 20, 2007, Joan Jarzembowski, of Warren, filed a formal Complaint with the Michigan Public Service Commission (“Commission”) against AT&T Michigan alleging that her long distance service was switched from MCI to AT&T without her authorization. In addition, the Complaint alleges that Ms. Jarzembowski was charged for a repair to outside wiring for which she should not have been charged. Ms. Jarzembowski seeks reimbursement of the amount she was billed by AT&T and reimbursement of her costs.

Case No. U-15491

Interconnection Agreement Dispute

Sprint Communications Company L.P., Sprint Spectrum L.P., and Nextel West Corp v AT&T Michigan
<http://efile.mpsc.cis.state.mi.us/efile/viewcase.php?casenum=15491>

On December 21, 2007, Sprint Communications Company L.P., Sprint Spectrum L.P., and Nextel West Corp. (collectively, “Sprint”) filed a formal Complaint with the Michigan Public Service Commission (“Commission”) against AT&T Michigan petitioning the Commission to direct AT&T Michigan to execute an adoption amendment to port in and adopt the Interconnection Agreement between BellSouth Telecommunications Inc. d/b/a AT&T Southeast and Sprint Communications Company L.P. and Sprint Spectrum L.P., as extended and approved in Kentucky in accordance with *Merger Commitments* made by AT&T. According to the Complaint, under the *Merger Commitments*, adopted by the Federal Communications Commission in *In the Matter of AT&T Inc. and BellSouth Corporation Application for Transfer of Control, Memorandum Opinion and Order*, FCC 06-189, (released March 26, 2007), AT&T Michigan “shall make available to any requesting telecommunications carrier any entire effective interconnection agreement, whether negotiated or arbitrated, that an AT&T/BellSouth ILEC entered into in any state in the AT&T/BellSouth 22-state ILEC operating territory, subject to state-specific pricing and performance plans and technical feasibility . . .” The Complaint also alleges that in refusing Sprint’s Request, AT&T Michigan has violated various provisions of the Michigan Telecommunications Act.

Allband Communications Cooperative

<http://efile.mpsc.cis.state.mi.us/efile/viewcase.php?casenum=15492>

On December 21, 2007, Allband Communications Cooperative (“Allband”) filed an Application with the Michigan Public Service Commission for expansion of its designation as an Eligible Telecommunications Carrier (“ETC”) pursuant to 47 USC § 214(e) of the Federal Telecommunications Act of 1996 (the “Act”). Allband requests that its ETC designation be expanded from its current Robbs Creek Exchange to include seven (7) additional service areas in Alcona, Alpena, Presque Isle, Montmorency, Gladwin, Ogemaw, and Oscoda counties.

NOTICES OF OPPORTUNITIES TO COMMENT |

The following Notices of Opportunity to Comment have been issued by the Michigan Public Service Commission’s Executive Secretary. Any interested person may submit comments on the application by sending written comments to the Commission by mail to: Executive Secretary, Michigan Public Service Commission, P.O. Box 30221, Lansing, Michigan 48909. Electronic comments may be e-mailed to: <mpscfilecases@michigan.gov>. Any comments should reference the applicable docket number.

Case No. U-14819

Rulemaking – Bankrupt License Transfers

Commission’s Own Motion

<http://efile.mpsc.cis.state.mi.us/efile/viewcase.php?casenum=14819>

Comments Due: February 14, 2008

On December 18, 2007, the Michigan Public Service Commission (“Commission”) issued an Order and Notice of Hearing along with proposed rules governing the transfer of telecommunications licenses held by bankrupt providers. The proposed rules would require a provider who files for bankruptcy to notify the Commission within 10 days of such filing. If a Bankruptcy Court orders the bankrupt provider’s license transferred to another provider: 1) if that transfer will not result an expansion of the license recipient’s territory, then the recipient shall notify the Commission within 10 days; or 2) if the transfer results in an expansion of the license recipient’s territory, then the recipient shall file an application to temporarily and permanently expand its license within 30 days. Interested parties may file written comments regarding the Commission’s proposed rules. Comments must be filed in Case No. U-14819 and received no later than 5:00 p.m. on **Thursday, February 14, 2008**.

NOTICES OF HEARINGS |

The following notices of hearing have been issued by the Michigan Public Service Commission’s Executive Secretary. Unless otherwise noted, all hearings are held at the offices of the Michigan Public Service Commission, 6545 Mercantile Way, Suite 7, Lansing, Michigan.

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Public Hearing: January 24, 2008, at 9:00 a.m.

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licenses held by bankrupt providers. The proposed rules would require a provider who files for bankruptcy to notify the Commission within 10 days of such filing. If a Bankruptcy Court orders the bankrupt provider's license transferred to another provider: 1) if that transfer will not result an expansion of the license recipient's territory, then the recipient shall notify the Commission within 10 days; or 2) if the transfer results in an expansion of the license recipient's territory, then the recipient shall file an application to temporarily and permanently expand its license within 30 days. Interested parties may file written comments regarding the Commission's proposed rules. A public hearing will be held to provide interested persons with the opportunity to comment on the proposed rules at 9:00 a.m. on **Thursday, January 24, 2008** at the offices of the Michigan Public Service Commission, 6545 Mercantile Way, Suite 7, Lansing, Michigan.

Case No. U-15446

License

Bandwidth.com CLEC, LLC

<http://efile.mpsc.cis.state.mi.us/efile/viewcase.php?casenum=15446>

Evidentiary Hearing: January 8, 2008, at 9:00 a.m.

The October 29, 2007 application of Bandwidth.com CLEC, LLC, for the issuance of a temporary and permanent license to provide basic local exchange service, is set for an evidentiary hearing at 9:00 a.m. on **Tuesday, January 8, 2008**, at the offices of the Michigan Public Service Commission, 6545 Mercantile Way, Suite 7, Lansing, Michigan before Administrative Law Judge Mark Eyster. Parties wishing to intervene in this matter must do so by **Friday, January 4, 2008**.

Case No. U-15483

Pole Attachments

Arialink Telecom, LLC v Consumers Energy Company and Charter Communications Operating, LLC

<http://efile.mpsc.cis.state.mi.us/efile/viewcase.php?casenum=15483>

Prehearing Conference: January 10, 2008, at 9:00 a.m.

The Michigan Public Service Commission (Commission) will consider the complaint of Arialink Telecom, LLC against Consumers Energy Company and Charter Communications Operating, LLC at a prehearing conference to be held at 9:00 a.m. on **Thursday, January 10, 2008** at the offices of the Michigan Public Service Commission, 6545 Mercantile Way, Suite 7, Lansing, Michigan before Administrative Law Judge Sharon Feldman. Arialink Telecom, LLC's Complaint regards alleged violations of Consumers Energy's Pole Attachment Tariff, the National Electric Safety Code, and the Michigan Public Service Commission Act for denial of pole attachment permits, and breach of contract. Arialink Telecom, LLC seeks emergency and interim relief and the issuance of a cease and desist order from further violations.

Case No. U-15484

Pole Attachments

Great Lakes Comnet, Inc. v Consumers Energy Company and Charter Communications Operating, LLC

<http://efile.mpsc.cis.state.mi.us/efile/viewcase.php?casenum=15484>

Prehearing Conference: January 10, 2008, at 9:00 a.m.

The Michigan Public Service Commission (Commission) will consider the complaint of Great Lakes Comnet, Inc. against Consumers Energy Company and Charter Communications Operating, LLC at a prehearing conference to be held at 9:00 a.m. on **Thursday, January 10, 2008** at the offices of the Michigan Public Service Commission, 6545 Mercantile Way, Suite 7, Lansing, Michigan before Administrative Law Judge Sharon Feldman. Great Lakes Comnet, Inc.'s Complaint regards alleged violations of Consumers Energy's Pole Attachment Tariff, the National Electric Safety Code, and the Michigan Public Service Commission Act for denial of pole attachment permits, and breach of

contract. Great Lakes Comnet, Inc. seeks emergency and interim relief and the issuance of a cease and desist order from further violations.

Case No. U-15486

Pole Attachments

Midland County ESA v Consumers Energy Company and Charter Communications Operating, LLC

<http://efile.mpsc.cis.state.mi.us/efile/viewcase.php?casenum=15484>

Prehearing Conference: January 10, 2008, at 9:00 a.m.

The Michigan Public Service Commission (Commission) will consider the complaint of Midland County ESA, for itself, on behalf of, and as fiscal agent for M.Co.Net Fiber Optic Consortium, against Consumers Energy Company and Charter Communications Operating, LLC at a prehearing conference to be held at 9:00 a.m. on **Thursday, January 10, 2008** at the offices of the Michigan Public Service Commission, 6545 Mercantile Way, Suite 7, Lansing, Michigan before Administrative Law Judge Sharon Feldman. Midland County ESA's Complaint regards alleged violations of Consumers Energy's Pole Attachment Tariff, the National Electric Safety Code, and the Michigan Public Service Commission Act for denial of pole attachment permits, and breach of contract. Midland County ESA seeks emergency and interim relief and the issuance of a cease and desist order from further violations.

MPSC HEARINGS SCHEDULE |

Note: Unless indicated otherwise, hearings are held in the offices of the Commission, 6545 Mercantile Way, Suite 7, Lansing, Michigan. Hearing dates and times are subject to change or cancellation. Please check with the Commission's Executive Secretary at (517) 241-6160 to confirm that a hearing will be taking place.

KNOWN TELECOM HEARINGS SCHEDULED FOR THE NEXT FORTNIGHT (DECEMBER 31, 2007 THROUGH JANUARY 11, 2008)

January 8, 2008, 9:00 a.m.

Case No. U-15446/evidentiary hearing
Bandwidth.com CLEC, LLC (license)

January 10, 2008, 9:00 a.m.

Case No. U-15483/prehearing conference
Midland County ESA v Consumers Energy
Company and Charter Communications Operating,
LLC (pole attachments)

January 10, 2008, 9:00 a.m.

Case No. U-15484/prehearing conference
Great Lakes Comnet, Inc. v Consumers Energy
Company and Charter Communications Operating,
LLC (pole attachments)

January 10, 2008, 9:00 a.m.

Case No. U-15486/prehearing conference
Midland County ESA v Consumers Energy
Company and Charter Communications Operating,
LLC (pole attachments)

FUTURE TELECOM HEARINGS SCHEDULED

February 26, 2008, 9:00

Case No. U-15485/prehearing conference
AT&T v Talk America and LDMI (lnp)

March 11, 2008, 9:00 a.m.

Case No. U-15374/motion hearing
Walsma & Lyons, Inc. v AT&T Michigan
(consumer complaint: quality of service)

May 7-9, 2008, 9:00 a.m.

Case No. U-15434/evidentiary hearings
Michigan Cable Telecommunications Association
and Charter Communications Operating, LLC v
Consumers Energy Company (pole attachments)

2008 REGULAR MPSC MEETING DATES* |

Month & Date

January 2

Day

Wednesday

Time

1:30 p.m.

* Additional Special Meetings may be scheduled, as needed, on 18-hours notice as permitted by Section 5(4) of the Michigan Open Meetings Act, MCL 15.265(4). Agendas for all Regular and Special Meetings will be posted on 18 hours notice. A posted agenda is subject to Amendment as determined by the Commission. Any person with a question about a Regular or a Special Meeting of the Michigan Public Service Commission may make an inquiry by calling the Commission's Executive Secretary at (517) 241-6160

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