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#### **Verizon Wireless Investing Nearly \$198 Million More in Michigan Network in 2009, Including 43 New Cell Sites**

##### **National Deployment of 4G Long Term Evolution (LTE) Network Scheduled to begin in 2010**

*Note: The Following Press Release was issued by Verizon Wireless through PRNewswire.*

SOUTHFIELD, Mich., July 20 /PRNewswire/ -- Verizon Wireless today announced that it has activated 12 new cell sites in Michigan in the first half of the year and is on target to build a total of 43 new cell sites in 2009, while spending nearly \$198 million on its wireless voice and data network in the state this year. . . .

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. . . The 43 new cell sites will expand network coverage and increase capacity, enabling more customers to use their wireless phones to make calls; send and receive email and text, picture and video messages; access the Internet; view high-quality videos; and download music, games and ringtones, while enjoying clearer reception and fewer dropped calls.

Where possible, Verizon Wireless will be installing permanent generators at its new cell sites, ensuring its customers can continue to communicate during power outages, tornados, flooding and other disasters.

“A wireless phone is only as good as the network that it operates on,” said Greg Haller, President-Michigan/Indiana/Kentucky Region, Verizon Wireless. “Our customers depend on us to maintain a reliable network so that, when they press send, their calls go through and stay connected. Every year, we continue to invest millions of dollars in our Michigan network because network reliability is our top priority and the No. 1 reason why customers choose Verizon Wireless.”

#### Moving Forward with 4G

Verizon Wireless is also working this year on building the underlying infrastructure that will enable it to become the first wireless company to offer commercial 4G Long Term Evolution (LTE)-based service in the United States, starting in 2010.

“LTE enables us to continue to meet business customer demands for a higher bandwidth, low latency service that works broadly in the United States and globally, while helping us to meet consumer demand for mobilizing the many applications they frequently use when tethered to high bandwidth wired networks,” said Haller. “We look forward to bringing a new, enhanced mobile broadband experience for consumers and enterprises throughout the United States.”

Verizon Wireless has invested more than \$50 billion since it was formed - \$5.5 billion on average every year - to increase the coverage and capacity of its premier nationwide network and to add new services. Since the company was formed in 2000, Verizon Wireless has invested \$1.3 billion on improvements to its network in Michigan.

#### About Verizon Wireless

Verizon Wireless operates the nation’s most reliable and largest wireless voice and data network, serving more than 86.6 million customers. Headquartered in Basking Ridge, N.J., with more than 86,000 employees nationwide, Verizon Wireless is a joint venture of Verizon Communications (NYSE: VZ) and Vodafone (NYSE and LSE: VOD). For more information, visit [www.verizonwireless.com](http://www.verizonwireless.com). To preview and request broadcast-quality video footage and high-resolution stills of Verizon Wireless operations, log on to the Verizon Wireless Multimedia Library at [www.verizonwireless.com/multimedia](http://www.verizonwireless.com/multimedia).

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### **MiCTA Selects WebStudy as an Approved Learning Management System Vendor |**

*Note: The Following Press Release was issued by MiCTA through PRNewswire.*

SAGINAW, Mich., July 15 /PRNewswire/ -- MiCTA, a national non-profit technology consortium, has selected WebStudy as a Learning Management System vendor. “WebStudy offers an exceptional combination of service and value to our membership,” says Tim von Hoff, Chief Operating Officer of MiCTA. “Many of our education members want to deliver online courses. MiCTA’s partnership with WebStudy will allow them to do that quickly and easily.”

“We deliver meaningful evaluations and recommendations to our members for a growing number telecommunications and technology services,” says von Hoff. Following a competitive bid process conducted with the Maryland Department of Education, MiCTA chose WebStudy to provide in-class and online products that facilitate enhanced learning experiences.

MiCTA conducts rigorous competitive bid processes for technology and telecommunications services. This allows MiCTA members to select highly qualified vendors without incurring the expense of conducting a separate competitive bidding process. MiCTA can also negotiate volume discounts that individual purchasers would not receive.

“During the bid evaluation, we relied on subject-matter experts from around the United States to develop and articulate the LMS services our members want and need,” says von Hoff. “WebStudy’s proposal delivered the combination of features, service and price our members look for in Learning Management Systems. We are delighted to introduce WebStudy to our members as an approved vendor for LMS services.”

#### About MiCTA

MiCTA represents thousands of non-profit entities from the higher education, K-12, healthcare, library, governmental and charitable sectors. Nationally, MiCTA seeks to resolve common voice, video and data issues, provide timely information on the latest technologies, participate in legislative and regulatory discussions regarding technology that affect its membership, and purchase telecommunications, video, data, e-learning and emergency notification systems at substantial discounts. More information about MiCTA is available at <http://www.mictatech.org>.

#### About WebStudy

WebStudy, Inc. ([www.webstudy.com](http://www.webstudy.com)) is a software as a service (“SaaS”) provider that develops “learning” course management systems (“CMS”) designed to enrich the learning process. Founded in 1997 by a professor/student collaboration, WebStudy’s in-class and online learning solutions ease technology adoption for educators, aid administrators in launching quality learning programs and demonstrate to accrediting bodies that an institution is committed to producing well-prepared students. As the only SaaS provider in the industry, WebStudy frees institutions from extended hardware implementations and its hidden costs, high failure rates, unacceptable risks, and protracted software implementations.

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## 2009 LEGISLATION |

The following list of telecommunications bills 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 012 Hardiman	01/14/2009	Campaign finance; public disclosure; disclosure of committees that employ and registration of persons who make “robocalls” in campaigns.	Referred to Senate Committee on Campaign and Election Oversight.
SB 013 Hardiman	01/14/2009	Administrative procedure; rules; state office of administrative hearings and rules; require policy posting of revisions and assessment of impact on the rules in the private sector.	Referred to Senate Committee on Government Operations and Reform.
SB 036 Pappageorge	01/27/2009	Education; curricula; internet safety instruction in schools; require. Amends 1976 PA 451 (MCL 380.1 - 380.1852) by adding sec. 1163.	Referred to Senate Committee on Education.
SB 149 Patterson	01/29/2009	Communications; internet; obtaining personal information by false pretenses; prohibit. Amends secs. 3, 7 & 9 of 2004 PA 452 (MCL 445.63 <i>et seq.</i> ) & adds sec. 7a.	04/23/09 Passed Senate, 34 Yeas, 0 Nays; Referred to House Committee on Judiciary.

Senate Bill # Primary Sponsor	Date Introduced	Description	Status (revisions in bold)
SB 190 2009 PA 4 Thomas	02/04/2009	Communications; video services; dispute resolution process; provide for. Amends sec. 10 of 2006 PA 480 (MCL 484.3310).	04/02/2009 Signed by Governor Granholm' assigned 2009 PA 4 with immediate effect.
SB 371 Garcia	03/12/2009	Communications; cellular telephone; active duty military personnel; allow to cancel cellular telephone contract without penalties. Creates new act.	06/11/2009 Passed Senate, 34 Yeas, 0 Nays, 3 Excused; Referred to House Committee on Military and Veterans Affairs and Homeland Security; 06/04/2009 Reported favorably without amendment by the Senate Committee on Senior Citizens and Veterans Affairs.
SB 397 Thomas	03/19/2009	Communications; video services; 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 402 Thomas	03/24/2009	Traffic control; violations; operation of a vehicle while using certain electronic devices; prohibit. Amends sec. 320a of 1949 PA 300 (MCL 257.320a).	Referred to Senate Committee on Transportation.
SB 417 Basham	03/31/2009	Traffic control; violations; use of hand-free wireless telephones while operating a motor vehicle; allow. Amends sec. 320a of 1949 PA 300 (MCL 257.320a) & adds sec. 602b.	Referred to Senate Committee on Transportation.
SB 467 Kahn	04/23/2009	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 468 Kahn	04/24/2009	Traffic control; violations; use of handheld wireless telephone while operating a motor vehicle; prohibit under certain circumstances and permit use of hands-free wireless telephone. Amends sec. 320a of 1949 PA 300 (MCL 257.320a) by adding sec. 602b.	Referred to Senate Committee on Transportation.

Senate Bill # Primary Sponsor	Date Introduced	Description	Status (revisions in bold)
SB 611 Thomas	05/27/2009	Communications; telecommunications; provision relating to toll access service rates; modify. Amends sec. 310 of 1991 PA 179 (MCL 484.2310).	Referred to Senate Committee on Energy Policy and Public Utilities.

House Bill # Primary Sponsor	Date Introduced	Description	Status (revisions in bold)
HB 4232 Horn	02/10/2009	Communications; telecommunications; disclosure of person paying for automated telephone communication; require. Amends 1976 PA 388 (MCL 169.201 - 169.282) by adding sec. 48.	Referred to House Committee on Ethics and Elections.
HB 4247 Mayes	02/11/2009	Communications; video services; dispute resolution process; provide for. Amends sec. 10 of 2006 PA 480 (MCL 484.3310).	03/04/2009 Passed House with amendment, 108 Yeas, 0 Nays, given immediate effect; transmitted to Senate; 03/05/2009 Referred to Senate Committee on Energy Policy and Public Utilities.
HB 4257 Melton	02/11/2009	Communications; telecommunications; provision relating to toll access service rates; modify. Amends sec. 310 of 1991 PA 179 (MCL 484.2310).	Referred to House Committee on Energy and Technology.
HB 4362 Rocca	02/19/2009	Transportation; school vehicles; use of cellular telephone while operating a school bus; prohibit.	Referred to House Committee on Transportation.
HB 4369 Polidori	02/19/2009	Traffic control; violations; use of mobile phones while operating a motor vehicle; prohibit, and provide penalties.	Referred to House Committee on Transportation.
HB 4370 Polidori	02/19/2009	Traffic control; violations; entry of points for operating a motor vehicle while sending or receiving a message on an electronic wireless device; prohibit.	Referred to House Committee on Transportation.
HB 4394 Gonzales	02/24/2009	Traffic control; violations; penalties for operating a motor vehicle while reading, writing, or sending a message on an electronic wireless device; provide for. Amends sec. 320a of 1949 PA 300 (MCL 257.320a) & adds sec. 602b.	Referred to House Committee on Transportation.

House Bill # Primary Sponsor	Date Introduced	Description	Status (revisions in bold)
HB 4451 Smith	02/24/2009	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 4576 Barnett	03/12/2009	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 4833 McMillin	04/29/2009	Libraries; policies and practices; installation of internet filter software on computers; require. Amends sec. 6 of 1982 PA 455 (MCL 397.606).	Referred to House Committee on Judiciary.
HB 5079 Warren	06/11/2009	Crimes; computer; unauthorized use of internet; remove prohibition and penalty. Amends sec. 540 of 1931 PA 328 (MCL 750.540).	Referred to House Committee on Judiciary.
HB 5102 LeBlanc	06/16/2009	Communications; cellular telephone; termination of cellular telephone contracts by certain active military personnel; allow. Creates new act.	Referred to House Committee on Military and Veterans Affairs and Homeland Security.

## PUBLIC ACTS OF 2009

Listed below are Public Acts related to telecommunications that were passed during the current legislative session (2009-2010). 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 #	Effective Date	Description	Enrolled Bill # and Sponsor
2009 PA 4	04/02/2009	Communications; video services; dispute resolution process; provide for. Amends sec. 10 of 2006 PA 480 (MCL 484.3310).	SB 190 Thomas

## **ORDERS ISSUED BY MPSC |**

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The Michigan Public Service Commission (“Commission”) issued the following Orders at its regularly scheduled meeting held on July 16, 2009 at 1:30 p.m.:

**Case No. U-12145** **Interconnection Agreement**  
**AT&T Michigan and Nextel West Corp.**  
<http://efile.mpsc.cis.state.mi.us/efile/viewcase.php?casenum=12145>  
**Joint Application filed July 2, 2009 for approval of a Seventh Amendment to an Interconnection Agreement (to comply with the Michigan Public Service Commission’s Arbitration Order in MPSC Case No. U-15788).**

**Case No. U-13580** **Interconnection Agreement**  
**AT&T Michigan and Sprint Communications Company, L.P.**  
<http://efile.mpsc.cis.state.mi.us/efile/viewcase.php?casenum=13580>  
**Joint Application filed July 2, 2009 for approval of a Tenth Amendment to an Interconnection Agreement (to comply with the Michigan Public Service Commission’s Arbitration Order in MPSC Case No. U-15788).**

**Case No. U-13879** **Interconnection Agreement**  
**AT&T Michigan and Sprint Spectrum Limited Partnership**  
<http://efile.mpsc.cis.state.mi.us/efile/viewcase.php?casenum=13879>  
**Joint application filed July 2, 2009 for approval of a Fourth Amendment to an Interconnection Agreement (to comply with the Michigan Public Service Commission’s Arbitration Order in MPSC Case No. U-15788).**

**Case No. U-15362** **Interconnection Agreement**  
**AT&T Michigan and New Cingular Wireless PCS, LLC**  
<http://efile.mpsc.cis.state.mi.us/efile/viewcase.php?casenum=15362>  
**Application filed July 1, 2009 for approval of a Fourth Amendment to an Interconnection Agreement (amends the InterMTA language of Appendix ITR).**

On July 16, 2009, the Michigan Public Service Commission (“Commission”) issued an Order approving the above-listed Interconnection Agreements and Amendments.

**Case No. U-15773** **Interconnection Arbitration**  
**TC3 Telecom, Inc., ACD Telecom, Inc., Arialink Telecom, LLC, Clear Rate Communications, Inc., DayStarr LLC, Michigan Access, Inc. and TelNet Worldwide, Inc. v Verizon North Inc. and Contel of the South, Inc. d/b/a Verizon North Systems**  
<http://efile.mpsc.cis.state.mi.us/efile/viewcase.php?casenum=15773>

On July 16, 2009, the Michigan Public Service Commission (“Commission”) issued an Order extending the time for parties in this docket to file Interconnection Agreements conforming to the Commission’s June 2, 2009 Interconnection Arbitration Decision to July 31, 2009. On July 1, 2009, the parties filed a motion to extend the time for filing provided in the June 2, 2009 Order. On July 8, 2009, the parties filed in this docket Interconnection Agreements for approval pursuant to 47 USC 252(e). However, on July 15, 2009, the parties notified the Commission that the Interconnection Agreements filed July 8 needed revision and revised copies would be filed shortly. In its Order, the Commission specifically stated that it “will not knowingly approve contracts that have not yet been filed in their final form.” The Commission also opened additional dockets for each competitive

carrier that is a party to this proceeding and requested that the final conforming Interconnection Agreements be filed in those dockets.

**Case No. U-15947**

**Intrastate Access Charges**

**CMC Telecom, Inc. v MCI Communications Services, Inc., d/b/a Verizon Business Services**

<http://efile.mpsc.cis.state.mi.us/efile/viewcase.php?casenum=15947>

On July 16, 2009, the Michigan Public Service Commission (“Commission”) issued an Order dismissing, with prejudice, the April 14, 2009 Complaint of CMC Telecom, Inc., against MCI Communications Services, Inc., d/b/a Verizon Business Services related to intrastate access charges. On June 30, 2009, the parties filed a stipulation for dismissal with prejudice.

**Case No. U-15961**

**License**

**Liquid Web, Inc.**

<http://efile.mpsc.cis.state.mi.us/efile/viewcase.php?casenum=15961>

On July 16, 2009, the Michigan Public Service Commission (“Commission”) issued an Order granting the April 28, 2009 Application of Liquid Web, Inc. for a license to provide basic local exchange service throughout the State of Michigan in the zones and exchanges where AT&T Michigan is the incumbent local exchange carrier. This license replaces the temporary license granted by the Commission to Liquid Web on May 26, 2009.

**Case No. U-15968**

**License**

**Granite Telecommunications, LLC**

<http://efile.mpsc.cis.state.mi.us/efile/viewcase.php?casenum=15968>

On July 16, 2009, the Michigan Public Service Commission (“Commission”) issued an Order granting the May 6, 2009 Application of Granite Telecommunications, LLC to amend its license to provide basic local exchange service to include all zones and exchange areas served by CenturyTel – Midwest Michigan, Inc., CenturyTel of Michigan, Inc., CenturyTel of Northern Michigan, Inc., CenturyTel of Upper Michigan, Inc., and Frontier Communications, Inc., as incumbent local exchange carriers.

## **APPLICATIONS AND COMPLAINTS |**

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**Case No. U-11974**

**Interconnection Agreement**

**AT&T Michigan and Lucre, Inc.**

<http://efile.mpsc.cis.state.mi.us/efile/viewcase.php?casenum=11974>

On July 15, 2009, AT&T Michigan and Lucre, Inc. jointly filed an Application with the Michigan Public Service Commission (“Commission”) requesting approval of the Second Amendment to their Interconnection Agreement. According to the Application, the Second Amendment replaces Commingling and Routine Network Modification language and conforms the Interconnection Agreement to the FCC’s Post TRO Remand order.

**Case No. U-13513**

Interconnection Agreement

**AT&T Michigan and Sage Telecom, Inc.**<http://efile.mp.sc.cis.state.mi.us/efile/viewcase.php?casenum=13513>

On July 14, 2009, AT&T Michigan and Sage Telecom, Inc. jointly filed an Application with the Michigan Public Service Commission (“Commission”) requesting approval of the Nineteenth Amendment to their Interconnection Agreement. According to the Application, the Nineteenth Amendment revises the Local Wholesale Complete General Terms and Conditions, replaces the Pricing Schedule and revises the Appendix Commercial Inside Wire Maintenance Plan.

**Case No. U-15115**

Interconnection Agreement

**AT&T Michigan and CBeyond Communications, LLC**<http://efile.mp.sc.cis.state.mi.us/efile/viewcase.php?casenum=15115>

On July 14, 2009, AT&T Michigan and CBeyond Communications, LLC jointly filed an Application with the Michigan Public Service Commission (“Commission”) requesting approval of the Tenth Amendment to their Interconnection Agreement. According to the Application, the Tenth Amendment revises the Time and Maintenance Rates in the Agreement.

**Case No. U-15543**

Interconnection Agreement

**AT&T Michigan and DayStarr, LLC d/b/a DayStarr Communications**<http://efile.mp.sc.cis.state.mi.us/efile/viewcase.php?casenum=15543>

On July 14, 2009, AT&T Michigan and DayStarr, LLC d/b/a DayStarr Communications jointly filed an Application with the Michigan Public Service Commission (“Commission”) requesting approval of the Thirteenth Amendment to their Interconnection Agreement. According to the Application, the Thirteenth Amendment adds Appendix Out of Exchange Traffic into the Interconnection Agreement.

**Case No. U-16019**

8-1-1

**MISS DIG System, Inc. v AT&T Michigan**<http://efile.mp.sc.cis.state.mi.us/efile/viewcase.php?casenum=16019>

On July 14, 2009, MISS DIG System, Inc. filed a formal Complaint with the Michigan Public Service Commission (“Commission”) against AT&T Michigan alleging that AT&T seeks to impose the charges for implementing 8-1-1 service even though MISS DIG did not make an initial affirmative order for this service. AT&T also has threatened to terminate MISS DIG's local service if the charges for 8-1-1 were not paid. 8-1-1 service is a three-digit abbreviated local dialing arrangement that allows local exchange end-users in Michigan to contact the state's one-call center (“MISS DIG”) as mandated by federal law. MISS DIG requests that the Commission resolve this dispute by, among other things, issuing a cease and desist order preventing AT&T from demanding payment from MISS DIG for implementing and providing 8-1-1 service

**Case No. U-16021**

Interconnection Agreement

**Verizon North Inc. and Contel of the South, Inc. d/b/a Verizon North Systems and TC3 Telecom, Inc.**<http://efile.mp.sc.cis.state.mi.us/efile/viewcase.php?casenum=16021>

On July 20, 2009, Verizon North Inc. and Contel of the South, Inc. d/b/a Verizon North Systems (“Verizon”) and TC3 Telecom, Inc. jointly filed with the Michigan Public Service

Commission (“Commission”) a conforming Interconnection Agreement and First and Second Amendments to that Interconnection Agreement in compliance with the Commission’s June 2, 2009 Interconnection Arbitration Order in MPSC Case No. U-15773.

**Case No. U-16022**

Interconnection Agreement

**Verizon North Inc. and Contel of the South, Inc. d/b/a Verizon North Systems and ACD Telecom, Inc.**

<http://efile.mpsc.cis.state.mi.us/efile/viewcase.php?casenum=16022>

On July 20, 2009, Verizon North Inc. and Contel of the South, Inc. d/b/a Verizon North Systems (“Verizon”) and ACD Telecom, Inc. jointly filed with the Michigan Public Service Commission (“Commission”) a conforming Interconnection Agreement and First and Second Amendments to that Interconnection Agreement in compliance with the Commission’s June 2, 2009 Interconnection Arbitration Order in MPSC Case No. U-15773.

**Case No. U-16023**

Interconnection Agreement

**Verizon North Inc. and Contel of the South, Inc. d/b/a Verizon North Systems and Arialink Telecom, Inc.**

<http://efile.mpsc.cis.state.mi.us/efile/viewcase.php?casenum=16023>

On July 20, 2009, Verizon North Inc. and Contel of the South, Inc. d/b/a Verizon North Systems (“Verizon”) and Arialink Telecom, Inc. jointly filed with the Michigan Public Service Commission (“Commission”) a conforming Interconnection Agreement and First and Second Amendments to that Interconnection Agreement in compliance with the Commission’s June 2, 2009 Interconnection Arbitration Order in MPSC Case No. U-15773.

**Case No. U-16024**

Interconnection Agreement

**Verizon North Inc. and Contel of the South, Inc. d/b/a Verizon North Systems and Clear Rate Communications, Inc.**

<http://efile.mpsc.cis.state.mi.us/efile/viewcase.php?casenum=16024>

On July 20, 2009, Verizon North Inc. and Contel of the South, Inc. d/b/a Verizon North Systems (“Verizon”) and Clear Rate Communications, Inc. jointly filed with the Michigan Public Service Commission (“Commission”) a conforming Interconnection Agreement and First and Second Amendments to that Interconnection Agreement in compliance with the Commission’s June 2, 2009 Interconnection Arbitration Order in MPSC Case No. U-15773.

**Case No. U-16025**

Interconnection Agreement

**Verizon North Inc. and Contel of the South, Inc. d/b/a Verizon North Systems and DayStarr, LLC**

<http://efile.mpsc.cis.state.mi.us/efile/viewcase.php?casenum=16025>

On July 20, 2009, Verizon North Inc. and Contel of the South, Inc. d/b/a Verizon North Systems (“Verizon”) and DayStarr, LLC jointly filed with the Michigan Public Service Commission (“Commission”) a conforming Interconnection Agreement and First and Second Amendments to that Interconnection Agreement in compliance with the Commission’s June 2, 2009 Interconnection Arbitration Order in MPSC Case No. U-15773.

**Case No. U-16026**

Interconnection Agreement

**Verizon North Inc. and Contel of the South, Inc. d/b/a Verizon North Systems and Michigan Access, Inc.**<http://efile.mpsc.cis.state.mi.us/efile/viewcase.php?casenum=16026>

On July 20, 2009, Verizon North Inc. and Contel of the South, Inc. d/b/a Verizon North Systems (“Verizon”) and Michigan Access, Inc. jointly filed with the Michigan Public Service Commission (“Commission”) a conforming Interconnection Agreement and First and Second Amendments to that Interconnection Agreement in compliance with the Commission’s June 2, 2009 Interconnection Arbitration Order in MPSC Case No. U-15773.

**Case No. U-16027**

Interconnection Agreement

**Verizon North Inc. and Contel of the South, Inc. d/b/a Verizon North Systems and TelNet Worldwide, Inc.**<http://efile.mpsc.cis.state.mi.us/efile/viewcase.php?casenum=16027>

On July 20, 2009, Verizon North Inc. and Contel of the South, Inc. d/b/a Verizon North Systems (“Verizon”) and TelNet Worldwide, Inc. jointly filed with the Michigan Public Service Commission (“Commission”) a conforming Interconnection Agreement and First and Second Amendments to that Interconnection Agreement in compliance with the Commission’s June 2, 2009 Interconnection Arbitration Order in MPSC Case No. U-15773.

**Case No. U-16051**

License

**Tennessee Telephone Service, LLC d/b/a Freedom Communications USA, LLC**<http://efile.mpsc.cis.state.mi.us/efile/viewcase.php?casenum=16051>

On July 23, 2009, Tennessee Telephone Service, LLC d/b/a Freedom Communications USA, LLC filed an Application with the Michigan Public Service Commission (“Commission”) requesting a permanent license and a temporary license to provide basic local exchange service throughout the State of Michigan in the zone and exchange areas served by Verizon North, Inc., Contel of the South, Inc., d/b/a Verizon North Systems, and AT&T Michigan. According to the Application, Tennessee Telephone Service, LLC d/b/a Freedom Communications USA, LLC is a Tennessee Limited Liability Company headquartered in Dickson, Tennessee.

**Case No. U-16052**

Interconnection Agreement

**Verizon North Inc. and Contel of the South, Inc. d/b/a Verizon North Systems (“Verizon”) and NSW Telecom, Inc.**<http://efile.mpsc.cis.state.mi.us/efile/viewcase.php?casenum=16052>

On July 22, 2009, Verizon North Inc. and Contel of the South, Inc. d/b/a Verizon North Systems (“Verizon”) and NSW Telecom, Inc. jointly filed with the Michigan Public Service Commission (“Commission”) an Application for approval of an Interconnection Agreement.

## **NOTICES OF OPPORTUNITIES TO COMMENT |**

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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: <mpscefilecases@michigan.gov>. Any comments should reference the applicable docket number.

**Case No. U-16016**

**2-1-1**

**HandsOn Battle Creek, Inc. f/k/a The Volunteer Center of Battle Creek, Inc.**

**<http://efile.mpesc.cis.state.mi.us/efile/viewcase.php?casenum=16016>**

**Comments Due: Monday, August 24, 2009**

The Michigan Public Service Commission ("Commission") has requested that interested parties comment on the July 10, 2009, Application of HandsOn Battle Creek, Inc. f/k/a The Volunteer Center of Battle Creek, Inc. requesting that it be designated an information and referral entity and the 2-1-1 answering point for the Bronson, Coldwater, Coldwater Lake, and Quincy rate centers, each located totally or partially in Branch County. Written and electronic comments may be filed with the Commission by 5:00 p.m. on **Monday, August 24, 2009**. Written comments should be sent to the: Executive Secretary, Michigan Public Service Commission, P.O. Box 30221, Lansing, Michigan 48909. Electronic comments may be e-mailed to: <mpscdockets@michigan.gov>. All comments should reference MPSC Case No. U-16016.

## **NOTICES OF HEARINGS |**

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The following Notices of Hearings 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.

**Case No. U-15942**

**License**

**Next Generation Communications, Inc.**

**<http://efile.mpesc.cis.state.mi.us/efile/viewcase.php?casenum=15942>**

**Public Hearing: Tuesday, August 11, 2009, at 9:00 a.m.**

The April 16, 2009 Application of Next Generation Communications, Inc. for a license to provide basic local exchange service throughout the State of Michigan will be heard by the Michigan Public Service Commission ("Commission") at an evidentiary hearing at **9:00 a.m.** on **Tuesday, August 11, 2009**, before Administrative Law Marc Cummins at the offices of the Michigan Public Service Commission, 6545 Mercantile Way, Suite 7, Lansing, Michigan.

## **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** **(JULY 27, 2009 THROUGH AUGUST 7, 2009)**

There are no known Telecommunications hearings scheduled during the next fortnight.

### **FUTURE TELECOM HEARINGS SCHEDULED**

August 11, 2009, 9:00 a.m.  
Case No. U-15942/Evidentiary Hearing  
Next Generation Communications, Inc. (license)

August 18, 2009, 9:00 a.m.  
Case no. U-16019/Prehearing Conference  
MISS DIG System, Inc. v AT&T Michigan (8-1-1)

## **2009 REGULAR MPSC MEETING DATES\* |**

<b><u>Month &amp; Date</u></b>	<b><u>Day</u></b>	<b><u>Time</u></b>
July 30 <sup>1</sup>	Thursday	1:30 p.m.
August 11	Tuesday	1:30 p.m.
August 25	Tuesday	1:30 p.m.
September 8	Tuesday	1:30 p.m.
September 24	Thursday	1:30 p.m.
October 13	Tuesday	1:30 p.m.
October 27	Tuesday	1:30 p.m.
November 10	Tuesday	1:30 p.m.
December 1	Tuesday	1:30 p.m.
December 15	Tuesday	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

<sup>1</sup> The Michigan Public Service Commission has announced the cancellation of its regularly scheduled meeting that had been scheduled to take place on Thursday, July 30, 2009.

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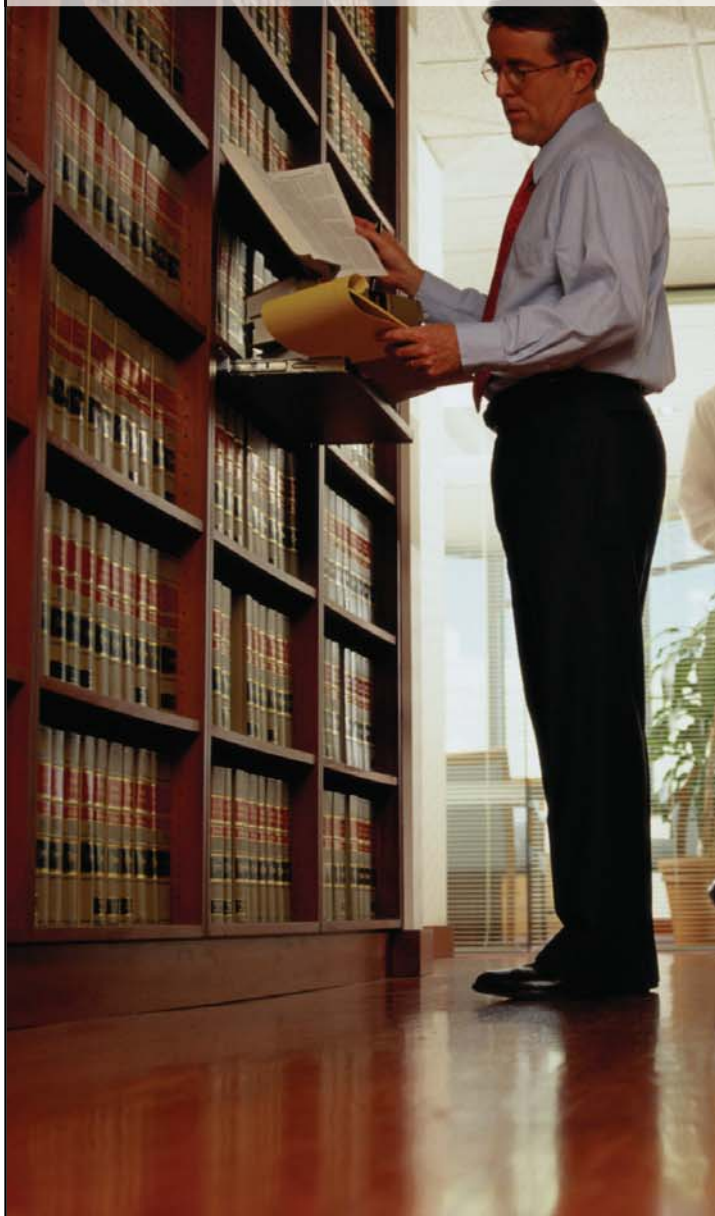
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