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MPSC Designates HandsOn Battle Creek, Inc. as 2-1-1 Answering Point for Four Exchanges in Branch County

Note: The Michigan Public Service Commission issued the following press release on September 15, 2009. For additional information, contact Judy Palnau at (517) 241-3323.

The Michigan Public Service Commission (MPSC) today designated HandsOn Battle Creek, Inc. (formerly known as the Volunteer Center of Battle Creek, Inc.) as the 2-1-1 answering point for four exchanges in Branch County. It currently provides 2-1-1 coverage for Calhoun County and for rate centers in St. Joseph County, 24 hours a day, seven days a week. . . .

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. . . The abbreviated dialing number 2-1-1 has been assigned by the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) to enable callers to reach community resource and referral answering points.

The four exchanges are: Bronson, Coldwater, Coldwater Lake and Quincy.

Today's MPSC order notes the Commission's approval is provisional, in part, due to the FCC's ability to recall the 2-1-1 number.

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Beginning with its scheduled September 15 meeting at 1:30 p.m., the Michigan Public Service Commission (MPSC) will make available live audio broadcasts of its Commission meetings on the Internet.

MPSC meetings are available on the Internet at <http://www.michigan.gov/mpsc/0,1607,7-159-16400_54191---,00.html>. The link to the broadcast can also be found on the Commission's Web site under "About MPSC."

The MPSC also has an e-mail distribution list that automatically sends out agendas via e-mail for all regular and special Commission meetings. Interested persons may subscribe to that distribution list, and others, at <<http://www.dleg.state.mi.us/mpsc/about/subscribe-listserv.htm>>.

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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.	08/19/09 Reported by House Committee on Judiciary with recommendation and amendment; referred to second reading.
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.

Senate Bill # Primary Sponsor	Date Introduced	Description	Status (revisions in bold)
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.
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.

Senate Bill # Primary Sponsor	Date Introduced	Description	Status (revisions in bold)
SB 770 Patterson	08/26/2009	Criminal procedure; sex offender registration; use of commercial social networking websites by sex offenders; prohibit. Amends 1994 PA 295 (MCL 28.721 - 28.736) by adding sec. 37.	Referred to Senate Committee on Judiciary.
SB 883 Deborah Cherry	09/17/2009	Use tax; collections; definition of interstate telecommunications services; expand to include international services.	Referred to Senate Committee on Finance.

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.

House Bill # Primary Sponsor	Date Introduced	Description	Status (revisions in bold)
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.
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 4999 Mayes	05/26/2009	Traffic control; violations; weight restrictions during frost restriction periods; provide exemption for public utility subcontractors. Amends sec. 722 of 1949 PA 300 (MCL 257.722).	08/19/2009 Substitute H-1 Passed House, given immediate effect, 100 Yeas, 6 Nays, transmitted to Senate.
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.	09/10/2009 Passed House, given immediate effect, 104 Yeas, 1 Nay; transmitted to Senate. 9/15/2009 Referred to Senate Committee on Senior Citizens and Veterans Affairs.
HB 5282 Haveman	08/26/2009	Criminal procedure; sex offender registration; use of commercial social networking websites by sex offenders; prohibit. Amends 1994 PA 295 (MCL 28.721 - 28.736) by adding sec. 37.	Referred to House Committee on Judiciary.
HB 5378 DeShazor	09/17/2009	Campaign finance; campaign practices; telephonic communications; require disclosure stating who is paying for call.	Referred to House Committee on Ethics and Elections.

House Bill # Primary Sponsor	Date Introduced	Description	Status (revisions in bold)
HB 5390 Cushingberry	09/17/2009	Property tax; utility property; broadband investment credit; increase and sunset.	Referred to House Committee on Tax Policy.
HB 5419 Meadows	09/17/2009	Use tax; collections; definition of interstate telecommunications services; expand to include international services.	Referred to House Committee on Tax Policy.

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 |

The Michigan Public Service Commission (“Commission”) issued the following Orders at its regularly scheduled meeting held on September 15, 2009 at 1:30 p.m.:

Case No. U-15976 **Interconnection Agreement**
AT&T Michigan and Midwestern Telecommunications, Incorporated
<http://efile.mpsc.cis.state.mi.us/efile/viewcase.php?casenum=15976>
Application filed May 18, 2009 for approval of an Interconnection Agreement.

Case No. U-16073 **Interconnection Agreement**
Shiawassee Telephone Company, d/b/a TDS Telecom, and DayStarr LLC, d/b/a DayStarr Communications
<http://efile.mpsc.cis.state.mi.us/efile/viewcase.php?casenum=16073>
Application filed August 19, 2009 for approval of an Interconnection Agreement (adoption of terms between TDS Telecom and Sprint Communications Company, L.P., in Case No. U-15956).

Case No. U-16080 **Interconnection Agreement**
AT&T Michigan and AT&T Corp., d/b/a AT&T Advanced Solutions
<http://efile.mpsc.cis.state.mi.us/efile/viewcase.php?casenum=16073>
Application filed August 28, 2009 for approval of an Interconnection Agreement.

On September 15, 2009, the Michigan Public Service Commission (“Commission”) issued an Order approving the above-listed Interconnection Agreements.

Case No. U-16016 **2-1-1**
HandsOn Battle Creek, Inc. f/k/a The Volunteer Center of Battle Creek, Inc.
<http://efile.mpsc.cis.state.mi.us/efile/viewcase.php?casenum=16016>

On September 15, 2009, the Michigan Public Service Commission (“Commission”) issued an Order designating HandsOn Battle Creek, Inc. f/k/a The Volunteer Center of Battle Creek, Inc. the 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. HandsOn Battle Creek, Inc. f/k/a The Volunteer Center of Battle Creek, Inc. was previously designated the 2-1-1 answering point for the Burr Oak, Centerville, Colon, Constantine, Mendon, Sturgis, Three Rivers, and White Pigeon rate centers, each of which are located totally or partially in St. Joseph County, Michigan.

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 September 15, 2009, the Michigan Public Service Commission (“Commission”) issued an Order granting to Tennessee Telephone Service, LLC, d/b/a Freedom Communications USA, LLC a temporary license to provide basic local exchange service throughout the State of Michigan in the zone and exchange areas in which Verizon North Inc., Contel of the South, Inc., d/b/a Verizon North Systems, and AT&T Michigan are the incumbent local exchange carriers. This temporary license will expire upon the issuance of a Commission Order granting or denying the July 23, 2009 Application of Tennessee Telephone Service, LLC, d/b/a Freedom Communications USA, LLC for issuance of a permanent license to provide basic local exchange service.

Case No. U-16057

License

Time Warner Cable Information Services Michigan, LLC

<http://efile.mpsc.cis.state.mi.us/efile/viewcase.php?casenum=16057>

On September 15, 2009, the Michigan Public Service Commission (“Commission”) issued an Order granting to Time Warner Cable Information Services Michigan, LLC a temporary license to provide basic local exchange service throughout the State of Michigan. This temporary license will expire upon the issuance of a Commission Order granting or denying the August 5, 2009 Application of Time Warner Cable Information Services Michigan, LLC for issuance of a permanent license to provide basic local exchange service.

Case No. U-16060

License

Cincinnati Bell Any Distance Inc.

<http://efile.mpsc.cis.state.mi.us/efile/viewcase.php?casenum=16060>

On September 15, 2009, the Michigan Public Service Commission (“Commission”) issued an Order granting to Cincinnati Bell Any Distance Inc. a temporary license to provide basic local exchange service throughout the State of Michigan in the zone and exchange areas in which Verizon North Inc., Contel of the South, Inc., d/b/a Verizon North Systems, and AT&T Michigan are the incumbent local exchange carriers. This temporary license will expire upon the issuance of a Commission Order granting or denying the August 10, 2009 Application of Cincinnati Bell Any Distance Inc. for issuance of a permanent license to provide basic local exchange service.

Case No. U-16069

License

TC3 Telecom, Inc.,

<http://efile.mpsc.cis.state.mi.us/efile/viewcase.php?casenum=16069>

On September 15, 2009, the Michigan Public Service Commission (“Commission”) issued an Order granting to TC3 Telecom, Inc. a temporary license to expand the geographic area of the license to include all zone and exchange areas throughout the State of Michigan that are served by incumbent local exchange carriers. This temporary license will expire upon the issuance of a Commission Order granting or denying the August 20, 2009 Application of TC3 Telecom, Inc. for issuance of a permanent license to expand the geographic area of the license to include all zone and exchange areas throughout the State of Michigan that are served by incumbent local exchange carriers.

MPSC MINUTE ACTIONS |

The Michigan Public Service Commission (“Commission”) issued the following Minute Action at its regularly scheduled meeting held on September 15, 2009 at 1:30 p.m.:

Case No. U-15937

Eligible Telecommunications Carriers

Commissions Own Motion

<http://efile.mpsc.cis.state.mi.us/efile/viewcase.php?casenum=15937>

On August 25, 2009, the Michigan Public Service Commission (“Commission”) issued a Minute Action designating the following carriers as eligible telecommunications carriers for the purpose of receiving federal universal service funds to be expended in 2010, consistent with the Federal Communications Commission order in CC Docket No. 96-45, and the rate comparability review criteria set forth in 47 CFR 54.313 and 54.314:

COMPANY	SERVICE AREA CODE
ACD of the North, LLC (Lifeline and High Cost)	Not Yet Assigned
Ace Telephone Company (Lifeline and High Cost)	310704
Allband Communications Cooperative (Lifeline and High Cost)	310542
Allendale Telephone Company (Lifeline and High Cost)	310669
AllTel Communications (Lifeline and High Cost)	319010
American Broadband and Telecommunications Company (Lifeline)	319022
AT&T Michigan (Lifeline)	315090
Baraga Telephone Company (Lifeline and High Cost)	310675
Barry County Telephone Company (Lifeline and High Cost)	310676
Blanchard Telephone Association, Inc. (Lifeline and High Cost)	310678
Bloomington Telephone Co., Inc. (Lifeline and High Cost)	310679
Carr Telephone Company (Lifeline and High Cost)	310683
CenturyTel of Michigan, Inc. (Lifeline and High Cost)	310702
CenturyTel of Midwest Michigan (Lifeline and High Cost)	310671
CenturyTel of Northern Michigan (Lifeline and High Cost)	310705
CenturyTel of Upper Michigan (Lifeline and High Cost)	310689
Chapin Telephone Company (Lifeline and High Cost)	310694
Chippewa Telephone Company (Lifeline and High Cost)	310713
Climax Telephone Company (Lifeline and High Cost)	310688
Deerfield Farmers Telephone Company (Lifeline and High Cost)	310691
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Frontier Communications of Michigan, Inc. (Lifeline and High Cost)	310682
Hiawatha Telephone Company (Lifeline and High Cost)	310713
Huron Mountain Communications Co. (Lifeline and High Cost)	Not Yet Assigned
Kaleva Telephone Company (Lifeline and High Cost)	310703
Lennon Telephone Company (Lifeline and High Cost)	310708
Michigan Central Broadband Company, LLC (Lifeline and High Cost)	Not Yet Assigned
Michigan Metronet, Inc. (Lifeline and High Cost)	319008
Centennial Michigan RSA 6 Cellular Corp. (Lifeline and High Cost)	319006
Centennial Michigan RSA 7 Cellular Corp. (Lifeline and High Cost)	319007
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NSW Telecom, Inc. (Lifeline)	Not Yet Assigned
Ogden Telephone Company (Lifeline and High Cost)	310714
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Osiris Communications, Inc. (High Cost)	Not Yet Assigned
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Pigeon Telephone Company (Lifeline and High Cost)	310721
Sand Creek Telephone Company (Lifeline and High Cost)	310725
Springport Telephone Company (Lifeline and High Cost)	310728
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TDS: Island Telephone Company (Lifeline and High Cost)	310677
TDS: Shiawassee Telephone Company (Lifeline and High Cost)	310726

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Upper Peninsula Telephone Company (Lifeline and High Cost)	310732
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APPLICATIONS AND COMPLAINTS |

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>

On September 15, 2009, AT&T Michigan and New Cingular Wireless PCS, LLC jointly filed an Application with the Michigan Public Service Commission (“Commission”) requesting approval of the Fifth Amendment to their Interconnection Agreement. According to the Application, the Fifth Amendment amends the InterMTA Language of the Appendix ITR in the Interconnection Agreement, superseding and replacing the Fourth Amendment approved by the Commission on July 16, 2009 by modifying the language in Section 8.3.3.3 and exempting AT&T Nevada and AT&T Arkansas from this Amendment.

Case No. U-16082

Interconnection Dispute

Lucre, 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=16082>

On September 8, 2009, Lucre, Inc. filed a formal Complaint with the Michigan Public Service Commission (“Commission”) against Verizon North, Inc. and Contel of the South, Inc., d/b/a Verizon North Systems (collectively “Verizon”) alleging that Verizon has failed to pay reciprocal compensation transport facility charges pursuant to the Interconnection Agreement between the parties.

Case No. U-16085

Eligible Telecommunications Carrier

Michigan Access, Inc.

<http://efile.mpsc.cis.state.mi.us/efile/viewcase.php?casenum=16085>

On September 11, 2009, Michigan Access, Inc. filed an Application with the Michigan Public Service Commission (“Commission”) requesting designation as an Eligible Telecommunications Carrier (“ETC”) in the State of Michigan for the purpose of receiving both high cost support, including High Cost Loop (HCL), Local Switching Support (LSS), High Cost Model (HCM), and Interstate Common Line Support (ICLS), and Lifeline/Link-Up Support from the Federal Universal Service Fund (“USF”).

Case No. U-16096

Interconnection Agreement

Verizon North Inc. and Contel of the South, Inc. d/b/a Verizon North Systems and Three Rivers Telecom, Inc.**<http://efile.mpsc.cis.state.mi.us/efile/viewcase.php?casenum=16096>**

On September 17, 2009, Verizon North Inc. and Contel of the South, Inc. d/b/a Verizon North Systems (“Verizon”) and Three Rivers Telecom, Inc. jointly filed an Application with the Michigan Public Service Commission (“Commission”) requesting approval of an Interconnection Agreement. According to the Application, the Interconnection Agreement is an adaptation, pursuant to Section 252(i) of the Federal Telecommunications Act, 47 USC § 252(i), of the Interconnection Agreement by and between Verizon and TC3 Telecom, Inc., previously approved by the Commission in MPSC Case No. U-16021.

Case No. U-16097

Interconnection Agreement

Verizon North Inc. and Contel of the South, Inc. d/b/a Verizon North Systems and iNetworks Group, Inc.**<http://efile.mpsc.cis.state.mi.us/efile/viewcase.php?casenum=16097>**

On September 17, 2009, Verizon North Inc. and Contel of the South, Inc. d/b/a Verizon North Systems (“Verizon”) and iNetworks Group, Inc. jointly filed an Application with the Michigan Public Service Commission (“Commission”) requesting approval of an Interconnection Agreement.

Case No. U-16098

Interconnection Agreement

Verizon North Inc. and Contel of the South, Inc. d/b/a Verizon North Systems and Entelegent Solutions, Inc.**<http://efile.mpsc.cis.state.mi.us/efile/viewcase.php?casenum=16098>**

On September 17, 2009, Verizon North Inc. and Contel of the South, Inc. d/b/a Verizon North Systems (“Verizon”) and Entelegent Solutions, Inc. jointly filed an Application with the Michigan Public Service Commission (“Commission”) requesting approval of an Interconnection Agreement.

Case No. U-16099

Interconnection Agreement

Verizon North Inc. and Contel of the South, Inc. d/b/a Verizon North Systems and NET TALK.COM, INC.**<http://efile.mpsc.cis.state.mi.us/efile/viewcase.php?casenum=16099>**

On September 17, 2009, Verizon North Inc. and Contel of the South, Inc. d/b/a Verizon North Systems (“Verizon”) and NET TALK.COM, INC. jointly filed an Application with the Michigan Public Service Commission (“Commission”) requesting approval of an Interconnection Agreement. According to the Application, the Interconnection Agreement is an adaptation, pursuant to Section 252(i) of the Federal Telecommunications Act, 47 USC § 252(i), of the Interconnection Agreement by and between Verizon and Ymax Communications Corp, previously approved by the Commission in MPSC Case No. U-14994.

Case No. U-16100

Interconnection Agreement

Verizon North Inc. and Contel of the South, Inc. d/b/a Verizon North Systems and New Horizons Communications Corp.

<http://efile.mpsc.cis.state.mi.us/efile/viewcase.php?casenum=16100>

On September 17, 2009, Verizon North Inc. and Contel of the South, Inc. d/b/a Verizon North Systems (“Verizon”) and New Horizons Communications Corp. jointly filed an Application with the Michigan Public Service Commission (“Commission”) requesting approval of an Interconnection Agreement.

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-16063

Rulemaking

Commission’s Own Motion

<http://efile.mpsc.cis.state.mi.us/efile/viewcase.php?casenum=16063>

Comments Due: Tuesday, October 20, 2009

The Michigan Public Service Commission (“Commission”) is considering promulgating new rules regarding unbundled network elements and local interconnection services, R 484.71 to R 484.75 and basic local exchange service customer migration, R 484.81 to R 484.90. The proposed rules create requirements applicable to telecommunications providers when providing unbundled network elements or local interconnection to another provider and when a customer migrates from one provider to another. Written and electronic comments regarding these proposed rules may be filed with the Commission by 5:00 p.m. on **Tuesday, October 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-16063.

Case No. U-16069

License

TC3 Telecom, Inc.

<http://efile.mpsc.cis.state.mi.us/efile/viewcase.php?casenum=16069>

Comments Due: Friday, October 2, 2009

The Michigan Public Service Commission (“Commission”) has requested that interested parties comment on the August 20, 2009 Application of TC3 Telecom, Inc. requesting an amendment to its license to provide basic local exchange service throughout the State of Michigan to include all zones and exchange areas served by incumbent local exchange carriers. According to the Application, TC3 Telecom, Inc. was previously licensed by the Commission, on September 14, 1999 in MPSC Case No. U-11992, to provide basic local exchange service in the Addison, Adrian, Blissfield, Britton, Clinton, Hillsdale, Hudson, Morenci, Ogden Center, Onsted, Sand Creek, Tecumseh, and Tipton exchanges and on March 17, 2001 in MPSC Case No. U-12770 in all zones and exchanges served by AT&T Michigan and Verizon North Inc. and Contel of the South, Inc., d/b/a Verizon North Systems.

Written and electronic comments may be filed with the Commission by 5:00 p.m. on **Friday, October 2, 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-16069.

Case No. U-16071

2-1-1

Community Access Line of the Lakeshore, Inc. d/b/a Call 2-1-1

<http://efile.mpsc.cis.state.mi.us/efile/viewcase.php?casenum=16071>

Comments Due: Tuesday, October 6, 2009

The Michigan Public Service Commission (“Commission”) has requested that interested parties comment on the August 18, 2009 Application of Community Access Line of the Lakeshore, Inc. d/b/a Call 2-1-1 requesting that it be designated an information and referral entity and the 2-1-1 answering point for Manistee County, including the following exchanges: Bear Lake, Brethren, Copemish-Thompsonville, Dublin, Kaleva, Manistee (previously approved in an Order by the MPSC in Case U-15469), Onekama, and Wellston. The Commission has previously designated Community Access Line of the Lakeshore, Inc. d/b/a Call 2-1-1 the 2-1-1 answering point for parts of Mason, Muskegon, Oceana, and Ottawa Counties. Written and electronic comments may be filed with the Commission by 5:00 p.m. on **Tuesday, October 6, 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-16071.

NOTICES OF HEARINGS |

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-15982

License

MAP Telecom, LLC

<http://efile.mpsc.cis.state.mi.us/efile/viewcase.php?casenum=15982>

Public Hearing: Tuesday, October 6, 2009, at 9:00 a.m.

The May 29, 2009 Application of MAP Telecom, LLC 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, October 6, 2009**, before Administrative Law Judge Mark Eyster at the offices of the Michigan Public Service Commission, 6545 Mercantile Way, Suite 7, Lansing, Michigan. Parties wishing to intervene in this proceeding must do so by October 2, 2009.

Case No. U-16057

License

Time Warner Cable Information Services (Michigan), LLC

<http://efile.mpsc.cis.state.mi.us/efile/viewcase.php?casenum=16057>

Public Hearing: Tuesday, October 6, 2009, at 9:30 a.m.

The August 5, 2009 Application of Time Warner Cable Information Services (Michigan), LLC 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 **9:30 a.m.** on

Tuesday, October 6, 2009, before Administrative Law Judge Mark Eyster at the offices of the Michigan Public Service Commission, 6545 Mercantile Way, Suite 7, Lansing, Michigan. Parties wishing to intervene in this proceeding must do so by October 2, 2009.

Case No. U-16060

License

Cincinnati Bell Any Distance, Inc.

<http://efile.mpsc.cis.state.mi.us/efile/viewcase.php?casenum=16060>

Public Hearing: Thursday, October 8, 2009, at 9:00 a.m.

The August 5, 2009 Application of Cincinnati Bell Any Distance, Inc. for a license to provide basic local exchange service throughout the State of Michigan in the zone and exchange areas of Verizon North, Inc., Contel of the South, Inc., d/b/a Verizon North Systems, and Michigan Bell Telephone Company, d/b/a AT&T Michigan will be heard by the Michigan Public Service Commission (“Commission”) at an evidentiary hearing at **9:00 a.m. on Thursday, October 8, 2009**, before Administrative Law Judge Daniel Nickerson, Jr. at the offices of the Michigan Public Service Commission, 6545 Mercantile Way, Suite 7, Lansing, Michigan. Parties wishing to intervene in this proceeding must do so by October 6, 2009.

Case No. U-16063

Rulemaking

Commission’s Own Motion

<http://efile.mpsc.cis.state.mi.us/efile/viewcase.php?casenum=16063>

Public Hearing: Tuesday, October 6, 2009, at 9:00 a.m.

The Michigan Public Service Commission (“Commission”) is considering promulgating new rules regarding unbundled network elements and local interconnection services, R 484.71 to R 484.75 and basic local exchange service customer migration, R 484.81 to R 484.90. The proposed rules create requirements applicable to telecommunications providers when providing unbundled network elements or local interconnection to another provider and when a customer migrates from one provider to another. The Commission will hold a public hearing to solicit comments from anyone who wishes to comment on the proposed rules at **9:00 a.m. on Tuesday, October 6, 2009**, before Administrative Law Judge Daniel Nickerson at the offices of the Michigan Public Service Commission, 6545 Mercantile Way, Suite 7, Lansing, Michigan.

MPSC Schedules Seven Consumer Forums around the State

The Michigan Public Service Commission (“Commission”) has announced that it will host a series of consumer forums throughout Michigan in September and October. The forums are designed to give consumers the latest information on electric and natural gas rates for the winter and the status of local and long distance telephone service.

One of the MPSC's three Commissioners - Chairman Isiogu, Commissioner Monica Martinez, or Commissioner Steven A. Transeth - will be available at each forum to discuss these issues, explain how the Commission makes decisions, and listen to questions and comments regarding utility service.

The consumer forums will be held:

Marquette

Thursday, September 24, 6 p.m.
City Hall - Commission Chambers
300 West Baraga Avenue

Detroit

Tuesday, September 29, 4 p.m.
Northwest Activities Center - Ballroom
18100 Meyers Road

Adrian

Tuesday, October 6, 6 p.m.
Adrian Public Library
Public Meeting Room
143 East Maumee Street

East Tawas

Thursday, October 8, 6 p.m.
City Hall - Council Chambers
760 Newman Street

Livonia

Monday, October 12, 12:30 p.m.
Civic Park Senior Center
15218 Farmington Road

Port Huron

Wednesday, October 28, 6 p.m.
Municipal Office Center -
Public Meeting Room
100 McMorran Boulevard

Muskegon

Thursday, Oct. 29, 6 p.m.
City Hall - Commission Chambers
433 Terrace Street

The consumer forum sites are accessible, including handicapped parking. Persons needing any accommodation to participate should contact Mark Smith at (517) 241-5410 in advance to request mobility, visual, hearing or other assistance.

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 (SEPTEMBER 20, 2009 THROUGH OCTOBER 2, 2009)

There are no known telecommunications hearings scheduled before the Michigan Public Service Commission during the next fortnight

FUTURE TELECOM HEARINGS SCHEDULED

October 6, 2009, 9:00 a.m.
Case No. U-15982/Evidentiary Hearing
MAP Telecom, LLC (license)

October 15, 2009, 9:00 a.m.
Case No. U-16072/Prehearing
Commission's Own Motion (license revocation)

October 6, 2009, 9:00 a.m.
Case No. U-16063/Public Hearing
Commission's Own Motion (rulemaking)

November 12, 2009, 9:00 a.m.
Case No. U-16019/Evidentiary Hearing
MISS DIG System, Inc. v AT&T Michigan (8-1-1)

October 6, 2009, 9:30 a.m.
Case No. U-16057/Evidentiary Hearing
Time Warner Cable Information Services
(Michigan), LLC (license)

November 24, 2009, 9:00 a.m.
Case No. U-16082/Prehearing Conference
Lucre, Inc. v Verizon North, Inc. and Contel of the
South, Inc., d/b/a Verizon North Systems
(interconnection dispute)

October 8, 2009, 9:30 a.m.
Case No. U-16060/Evidentiary Hearing
Cincinnati Bell Any Distance, Inc. (license)

2009 REGULAR MPSC MEETING DATES* |

<u>Month & Date</u>	<u>Day</u>	<u>Time</u>
September 15 [‡]	Tuesday	1:30 p.m.
September 29 ¹	Tuesday	9:00 a.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

¹ On September 15, 2009, the Michigan Public Service Commission announced that the date for its regularly schedule meeting, previously scheduled for 1:30 p.m. on Thursday September 24, 2009 had been changed to 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday, September 29, 2009.

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