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#### **Patrick O'Leary Joins TelNet Worldwide as CEO**

**Company also announces expanded services, revenue and profit growth**

*Note: TelNet Worldwide, Inc. issued the following press release on October 13, 2009.*

Troy, Mich., Oct. 13, 2009 – TelNet Worldwide, Inc. (“TelNet”) announced a series of milestones, including the appointment of a new chief executive officer, an expansion of products and services for the small- and mid-sized business market, and growth in revenue and profitability. The announcement was made by TelNet founder and president, Mark Iannuzzi. . . .

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. . . Patrick O'Leary, former chief executive officer of LDMI Telecommunications with 20 years of telecommunications sector experience, is now serving as chief executive officer and board member at TelNet. Mr. O'Leary had been serving as board member and interim CEO.

Regarding O'Leary's appointment, Mr. Iannuzzi noted, "Having Pat at the helm brings proven leadership. He is someone who has built and expanded networks, secured financing, and attracted key talent in our industry."

One of Mr. O'Leary's major initiatives has been expanding the company's voice and data product suite to serve small- and mid-sized businesses.

Since its inception in 1998, TelNet primarily served as a wholesale telecommunications provider to Internet Service Providers and larger businesses throughout the U.S. Over the past eighteen months, TelNet management worked to align its products, people and backbone technology to serve the small- and mid-sized business market. The company now offers the combined advantages of both a traditional TDM-based network and next generation IP-based technologies.

The company's product suite now includes a full complement of business essential services, including integrated voice and data T1 solutions, Hosted PBX, Private Line, dedicated T1 Internet, PRI, local/long distance phone service, conferencing, and unified communications. Each of the products is designed and priced to help businesses improve productivity, streamline processes and be cost efficient.

"Our goal is to provide multiple options of connectivity for the customer, " stated O'Leary, "and layer on applications that really make a difference to business customers."

In addition, TelNet has completed several phases of its planned network and technology expansion, investing in its customer care infrastructure and enhanced back office technology.

Expanding on solutions it can bring to both its business and wholesale customers, TelNet made a significant investment in Superior Contact, its contact management center. Superior Contact offers

business clients a host of contact solutions, including live inbound and outbound care, automated interactive call management, third party verification and remote agent applications.

“Whether a company is looking for a provider to handle overflow for their customer service department, or completely outsource it, our investment positions us to do that well for a myriad of industries,” said O’Leary.

These initiatives have helped boost both the company's 2009 revenues and profitability.

“We're proud to have achieved these milestones, particularly in the highly competitive and cost-intensive telecom arena during this economic downturn,” added Mr. Iannuzzi. “It's especially gratifying that we're doing it here, as a Michigan-based business. Looking forward, we intend to build on our strengths: a scalable network that allows us to deliver better products to more customers more affordably, as well as our industry leading customer care.”

About TelNet Worldwide: TelNet Worldwide, Inc. is a leading provider of essential business communications products and services, including converged voice, data and connectivity solutions. TelNet's next generation applications, information management tools, network customer-focused professionals empower businesses to improve productivity, streamline processes and save money. Headquartered in Troy, Michigan, the company employs a robust and growing group of talented individuals. TelNet also owns and operates Superior Contact, a world class contact management center. For more about TelNet, visit [www.telnetww.com](http://www.telnetww.com). For more about Superior Contact, visit [www.superiorcontact.net](http://www.superiorcontact.net).

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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.

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

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

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

House Bill # Primary Sponsor	Date Introduced	Description	Status (revisions in bold)
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.
HB 5390 Cushingberry	09/17/2009	Property tax; utility property; broadband investment credit; increase and sunset. Amends sec. 13b of 1905 PA 282 (MCL 207.13b) & repeals sec. 13b of 1905 PA 282 (MCL 207.13b).	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. Amends sec. 3a of 1937 PA 94 (MCL 205.93a).	Referred to House Committee on Tax Policy.
HB 5459 Geiss	09/23/2009	Communications; video services; assessment of public service commission's costs against competitive video service providers; extend sunset. Amends sec. 6 of 2006 PA 480 (MCL 484.3306).	Referred to House Committee on Energy and Technology.
HB 5468	09/25/2009	Communications; technology; validity of judgment or order created with an electronic record or signature; clarify. Amends sec. 7 of 2000 PA 305 (MCL 450.837).	Referred to House Committee on Judiciary.

## 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 September 29, 2009 at 9:00 a.m.:

**Case No. U-13980** Interconnection Agreement  
AT&T Michigan and Granite Telecommunications, LLC  
<http://efile.mpsc.cis.state.mi.us/efile/viewcase.php?casenum=13980>  
Application filed October 1, 2009 for approval of the Fifth Amendment to an Interconnection Agreement (adds CompleteLink 2.0 Win/Winback: Pricing Application for Existing Resale Business Customers).

**Case No. U-15431** Interconnection Agreement  
AT&T Michigan and Infotelecom, LLC  
<http://efile.mpsc.cis.state.mi.us/efile/viewcase.php?casenum=15431>  
Application filed October 1, 2009 for approval of the Sixth Amendment to an Interconnection Agreement (adds DS1, DS3, White Pages Rates and White Page Appendix).

**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>  
Application filed September 17, 2009 for approval of an Interconnection Agreement.

**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>  
Application filed September 17, 2009 for 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>  
Application filed September 17, 2009 for approval of an Interconnection Agreement.

**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>  
Application filed September 17, 2009 for approval of an Interconnection Agreement.

**Case No. U-16101** Interconnection Agreement  
Verizon North Inc. and Contel of the South, Inc., d/b/a Verizon North Systems, and BLC Management LLC, d/b/a Angles Communications Solutions  
<http://efile.mpsc.cis.state.mi.us/efile/viewcase.php?casenum=16101>  
Application filed September 30, 2009 for approval of an Interconnection Agreement.

**Case No. U-16105**

**Interconnection Agreement**

**Alltel Communications, LLC and Springport Telephone Company**

**<http://efile.mpsc.cis.state.mi.us/efile/viewcase.php?casenum=16105>**

**Application filed September 18, 2009 for approval of an Interconnection Agreement.**

**Case No. U-16109**

**Interconnection Agreement**

**AT&T Michigan and iNetworks Group, Inc.**

**<http://efile.mpsc.cis.state.mi.us/efile/viewcase.php?casenum=16109>**

**Application filed September 29, 2009 for approval of an Interconnection Agreement.**

On October 13, 2009, the Michigan Public Service Commission (“Commission”) issued an Order approving the above-listed Interconnection Agreements and Amendments.

**Case No. U-15427**

**Video Services Dispute**

**City of Adrian v Comcast of Michigan**

**<http://efile.mpsc.cis.state.mi.us/efile/viewcase.php?casenum=15427>**

On October 13, 2009, the Michigan Public Service Commission (“Commission”) issued an Opinion and Order adopting the Mediator’s recommended settlement regarding the City of Adrian’s (“Adrian”) September 20, 2007 formal complaint filed with the Commission alleging certain disputes arising out of an alleged attempt by Comcast of Michigan (“Comcast”) to unilaterally create a local franchise agreement and to unilaterally resolve a dispute over the terms of a franchise agreement. The Mediator’s recommendation was issued on September 18, 2009 and accepted by Adrian on September 24, 2009 and by Comcast on September 25, 2009. Pursuant to Section 203a(3) of the Michigan Telecommunications Act, “If the parties accept the recommendation [of the mediator], then the recommendation shall become the final order in the contested case under section 203.”

**Case No. U-15982**

**License**

**MAP Telecom, LLC**

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

On October 13, 2009, the Michigan Public Service Commission (“Commission”) issued an Order granting to MAP Telecom, LLC a license to provide basic local exchange service throughout the State of Michigan. This license replaces the temporary license issued by the Commission on August 25, 2009.

**Case No. U-16019**

**8-1-1**

**MISS DIG System, Inc. v AT&T Michigan**

**<http://efile.mpsc.cis.state.mi.us/efile/viewcase.php?casenum=16019>**

On October 13, 2009, the Michigan Public Service Commission (“Commission”) issued an Order dismissing, with prejudice, the July 14, 2009 Complaint of MISS DIG System, Inc. against AT&T Michigan regarding billing for 8-1-1 services. On September 25, 2009, MISS DIG System, Inc. filed a stipulation to dismiss the complaint with prejudice.

**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 October 13, 2009, the Michigan Public Service Commission (“Commission”) issued an Order granting to Time Warner Cable Information Services (Michigan), LLC a license to provide local exchange service throughout the State of Michigan. This license replaces the temporary license issued by the Commission on September 15, 2009.

**Case No. U-16069**

**License**

**TC3 Telecom, Inc.**

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

On October 13, 2009, the Michigan Public Service Commission (“Commission”) issued an Order granting to TC3 Telecom, Inc an expansion of the geographic service area of its license to provide basic local exchange service to include all zone and exchange areas throughout the State of Michigan that are served by incumbent local exchange carriers. This license replaces the temporary license issued by the Commission on September 15, 2009.

## **MINUTE ACTIONS |**

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**Verizon North Inc. and Verizon North Systems**

**9-1-1 Costs**

On October 13, 2009, the Michigan Public Service Commission (“Commission”) issued a Minute Action approving Verizon North Inc. and Verizon North Systems’ Invoice Nos. M19NZMTS911 and M19NGMTS911 for the period of June 1, 2009 to August 31, 2009 for \$168,485.61 of wireless emergency service costs recoverable under 2007 PA 165, MCL 484.1408(4)(b), and recommends reimbursement by the Michigan Department of the Treasury.

## **APPLICATIONS AND COMPLAINTS |**

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**Case No. U-13302**

**Interconnection Agreement**

**AT&T Michigan and BullsEye Telecom, Inc**

<http://efile.mpsc.cis.state.mi.us/efile/viewcase.php?casenum=13302>

On October 7, 2009, AT&T Michigan and BullsEye Telecom, Inc jointly filed an Application with the Michigan Public Service Commission (“Commission”) requesting approval of the Seventh Amendment to their Interconnection Agreement. According to the Application, the Seventh Amendment adds CompleteLink 2.0 Win/Winback Pricing Application for BullsEye Telecom, Inc.’s Existing Resale Business Customers into the Agreement.

**Case No. U-16095**

**Interconnection Agreement**

**AT&T Michigan and Entelegent Solutions, Inc.**

<http://efile.mpsc.cis.state.mi.us/efile/viewcase.php?casenum=16095>

On October 13, 2009, AT&T Michigan and Entelegent Solutions, Inc. jointly filed an Application with the Michigan Public Service Commission (“Commission”) requesting approval of an Interconnection Agreement.

**Case No. U-16110**

License

**Comcast Phone of Michigan, LLC**

**<http://efile.mpsc.cis.state.mi.us/efile/viewcase.php?casenum=16110>**

On October 5, 2009, Comcast Phone of Michigan, LLC filed an Application with the Michigan Public Service Commission (“Commission”) requesting to expand the geographic scope of its license to provide local exchange service to include additional municipalities where Comcast plans to expand its capabilities to provide telecommunications services since its license was last amended. These 12 additional municipalities are: City of Bay City (Bay County), City of Benton Harbor (Berrien County), City of Charlevoix (Charlevoix County), Village of Dimondale (Eaton County), City of Farmington Hills (Oakland County), City of Kalamazoo (Kalamazoo County), City of Livonia (Wayne County), Redford Township (Wayne County), City of Rockford (Kent County), City of Saginaw (Saginaw County), Traverse City (Grand Traverse County), City of Wyandotte (Wayne County). Comcast is currently licensed to provide basic local exchange service in 471 communities throughout Michigan.

**Case No. U-16114**

Consumer Complaint

**Bhadresh and Bela Vvyas v AT&T Michigan**

On October 9, 2009, Bhadresh and Bela Vvyas, of Canton, filed a Formal Complaint with the Michigan Public Service Commission (“Commission”) against AT&T Michigan alleging that AT&T Michigan had misrepresented pricing and forged Ms. Vvyas’s signature on a Work Order. Mr. and Mrs. Vvyas are requesting that the Commission fine AT&T Michigan and order AT&T Michigan to honor the pricing they initially agreed to.

## **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-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.

## 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-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>**

**Public Hearing: Thursday, November 5, 2009, at 9:00 a.m.**

The July 23, 2009 Application of Tennessee Telephone Service, LLC d/b/a Freedom Communications USA, LLC for a 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 will be heard by the Michigan Public Service Commission ("Commission") at an evidentiary hearing at **9:00 a.m. on Thursday, November 5, 2009**, before Administrative Law Judge Sharon Feldman 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 November 3, 2009.

### **MPSC Schedules 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. Transth - 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 remaining consumer forums will be held:

**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 |**

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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 (OCTOBER 5, 2009 THROUGH OCTOBER 16, 2009)**

*No Known Telecommunications Hearings are scheduled during the next fortnight.*

### **FUTURE TELECOM HEARINGS SCHEDULED**

November 5, 2009, 9:00 a.m.  
Case No. U-16051/Evidentiary Hearing  
Tennessee Telephone Service, LLC d/b/a Freedom  
Communications USA, 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)

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

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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.

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