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MPSC Designates Jackson 2-1-1 Call Center as the 2-1-1 Answering Point for Lenawee and Livingston Counties

Note: The Michigan Public Service Commission issued the following Press Release on October 21, 2008. For additional information, contact Judy Palnau (517) 241-3323

The Michigan Public Service Commission (MPSC) today designated the Jackson 2-1-1 Call Center as the 2-1-1 answering point for Lenawee and Livingston counties. . . .

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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.

In today's order, the Commission designates Jackson 2-1-1 Call Center as the answering point for the following rate centers: Adrian, Blissfield, Brighton, Byron, Clayton, Deerfield, Fenton, Fowlerville, Hartland, Howell, Linden, Morenci, Ogden Center, Onsted, Pinckney, Sand Creek, and Tecumseh. Livingston county rate centers Brighton, Byron, Fenton, Fowlerville, Hartland, Howell, Linden, and Pinckney are transferred to Jackson from UWRCC; and Lenawee county rate centers Adrian, Blissfield, Clayton, Deerfield, Morenci, Ogden Center, Onsted, Sand Creek, and Tecumseh are assigned to Jackson.

The Commission notes that Addison, Hudson, and Waldron are already under Jackson's designation, and Gregory will remain with UWRCC.

Jackson 2-1-1 Call Center will provide operation of the 2-1-1 telephone number 24 hours per day, seven days per week. The Commission concluded that its approval is provisional, in part, due to the FCC's ability to recall the 2-1-1 number.

The MPSC is an agency within the Department of Labor & Economic Growth.

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PENDING LEGISLATION |

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

Senate Bill # Primary Sponsor	Date Introduced	Description	Status (revisions in bold)
SB 002 Hardiman	01/10/2007	Campaign finance; public disclosure; disclosure of committees that employ and registration of persons who make “robocalls” in campaigns; require. Amends sec. 6 of 1976 PA 388 (MCL 169.206) & adds sec. 48.	Referred to Senate Committee on Campaign and Election Oversight.
SB 003 Hardiman	01/10/2007	Elections; campaign practices; do-not-call list for automated political telephone calls; provide for.	04/04/2007 Referred to Senate Committee of the Whole with Substitute S-3.
SB 004 Hardiman	01/10/2007	Communications; cellular telephone; customer consent to list numbers in a cell phone directory; require. Amends 1991 PA 179 (MCL 484.2101 <i>et seq.</i>) by adding sec. 360a.	Referred to Senate Committee on Homeland Security and Emerging Technologies.
SB 058 Stamas	01/24/2007	Campaign finance; campaign practices; telephonic communications; require disclosure stating who is paying for call and whether authorized by candidate.	Referred to Senate Committee on Campaign and Election Oversight.
SB 108 Basham 2008 PA 130	01/30/2007	Communications; telecommunications; eligibility date to opt into METRO funds; revise. Amends sec. 13 of 2002 PA 48 (MCL 484.3113).	05/13/2008 Signed by Governor Jennifer Granholm; assigned PA 130 with Immediate Effect.
SB 131 Cherry	01/31/2007	Communications; telecommunications; 9-1-1 system to pinpoint caller location; provide for. Amends 1986 PA 32 (MCL 484.1101 - 484.1717) by adding sec. 408a.	Referred to Senate Committee on Energy Policy.
SB 143 Brown	01/31/2007	Criminal procedure; sentencing guidelines; sentencing guidelines for crime of installing spyware on another person’s computer without consent; enact. Amends sec. 17c, ch. XVII of 1927 PA 175 (MCL 777.17c). Tie Bar with SB 144.	Referred to Senate Committee on Judiciary.

Senate Bill # Primary Sponsor	Date Introduced	Description	Status (revisions in bold)
SB 144 Brown	01/31/2007	Crimes; computer; installing spyware on another person's computer without consent; prohibit, and provide penalties. Amends sec. 7 of 1979 PA 53 (MCL 752.797) & adds sec. 5b.	Referred to Senate Committee on Judiciary.
SB 145 Brown	01/31/2007	Civil procedure; civil actions; installing spyware or adware onto another individual's computer without consent; prohibit and provide remedies for. Creates new act.	Referred to Senate Committee on Judiciary.
SB 284 Richardville	02/27/2007	Campaign finance; campaign practices; telephonic communications; require disclosure stating who is paying for call and whether authorized by candidate. Amends 1976 PA 388 (MCL 169.201 - 169.282) by adding sec. 48.	04/19/2007 Substitute S-2 passed Senate, 38 Yeas, 0 Nays. Referred to House Committee on Ethics and Elections.
SB 410 Brown 2007 PA 164	04/18/2007	Communications; telecommunications; funding system for the emergency telephone service enabling act; modify. Amends title & secs. 101, 102, 201, 202, 203, 205, 301, 302, 303, 306, 307, 308, 312, 319, 320 & 401 of 1986 PA 32 (MCL 484.1101 <i>et seq.</i>) & adds secs. 401a, 401b & 401c. Tie Bar with SB 411.	12/27/2007 Signed by Governor Jennifer Granholm; assigned PA 164 with Immediate Effect.
SB 411 Brown 2007 PA 165	04/18/2007	Communications; telecommunications; funding system for the emergency telephone service enabling act; modify. Amends secs. 402, 403, 404, 405, 406, 407, 408, 410, 412, 413, 502, 504, 506, 601, 602, 605, 712, 714, 716 & 717 of 1986 PA 32 (MCL 484.1402 <i>et seq.</i>) & repeals. Tie Bar with SB 410.	12/27/2007 Signed by Governor Jennifer Granholm; assigned PA 165 with Immediate Effect.
SB 449 Kahn	04/26/2007	Transportation; school vehicles; use of cellular telephone while operating a school bus; prohibit, and provide penalties. Amends 1990 PA 187 (MCL 257.1801 - 257.1877) by adding sec. 58.	Referred to Senate Committee on Education.
SB 585 Patterson	06/12/2007	Public utilities; restructuring; oversight of proposed mergers, sales, or acquisitions of public utilities; clarify. Amends 1939 PA 3 (MCL 460.1 - 460.10cc) by adding sec. 6r.	Referred to Senate Committee on Energy Policy and Public Utilities.

Senate Bill # Primary Sponsor	Date Introduced	Description	Status (revisions in bold)
SB 636 Thomas	07/17/2007	Communications; other; video service provider; clarify public, education, and government access fee. Amends sec. 6 of 2006 PA 480 (MCL 484.3306).	Referred to Senate Committee on Energy Policy and Public Utilities.
SB 637 Thomas	07/17/2007	Communications; other; video service provider; clarify. Amends sec. 10 of 2006 PA 480 (MCL 484.3310).	Referred to Senate Committee on Energy Policy and Public Utilities.
SB 679 Patterson	08/22/2007	Communications; telecommunications; sunset on 9-1-1 emergency service district; extend. Amends sec. 717 of 1986 PA 32 (MCL 484.1717).	12/06/2007 Passed Senate 36 Yeas, 0 Nays, 1 Excused, 1 Not Voting; Referred to House Committee on Oversight and Investigations.
SB 783 Thomas	09/18/2007	Traffic control; violations; operation of a vehicle while using certain electronic devices; prohibit. Amends sec. 320a of 1949 PA 300 (MCL 257.320a) & adds sec. 602b.	Referred to Senate Committee on Energy Policy and Public Utilities.
SB 815 Patterson 2008 PA 48	09/25/2007	Communications; telecommunications; technical and operational charge for emergency telephone service enabling act; extend sunset. Amends sec. 401 of 1986 PA 32 (MCL 484.1401).	03/27/2008 Signed by Governor Jennifer Granholm; assigned PA 48 with Immediate Effect.
SB 819 Garcia	10/04/2007	Communications; cellular telephone; active duty military personnel; allow to cancel cellular telephone contract without penalties. Amends 1991 PA 179 (MCL 484.2101 - 484.2604) by adding sec. 304b.	Referred to Senate Committee on Senior Citizens and Veterans Affairs.
SB 945 Patterson	12/04/2007	Communications; internet; obtaining personal information by false pretenses; prohibit. Amends secs. 3 & 7 of 2004 PA 452 (MCL 445.63 & 445.67) & adds sec. 7a.	03/18/2008 Sub. S-1 passed Senate, 38 Yeas, 0 Nays; referred to House Committee on Judiciary.
SB 1036 Basham	01/22/2008	Traffic control; violations; use of hand-free wireless phones while operating a motor vehicle; allow. Amends sec. 320a of 1049 PA 300 (MCL 257.320a) & adds sec. 602b.	Referred to Senate Committee on Transportation.
SB 1088 Patterson	02/13/2008	Communications; telecommunications; sunset; eliminate. Amends title of 1991 PA 179 (MCL 484.2101 - 484.2604) & repeals sec. 604 of 1991 PA 179 (MCL 484.2604).	Referred to Senate Committee on Energy Policy and Public Utilities.

Senate Bill # Primary Sponsor	Date Introduced	Description	Status (revisions in bold)
SB 1201 Garcia	03/11/2008	Consumer protection; unfair trade practices; active duty military personnel; allow to cancel cellular telephone contract without penalties. Creates new act.	04/24/2008 Passed Senate, 37 Yeas, 0 Nays, 1 Excused; Referred to House Committee on Military and Veterans Affairs and Homeland Security.
SB 1235 Olshove	03/26/2008	Communications; cable; access for subscriber to public, education, and government channels or lowest tier of service and without need for additional equipment; require. Amends sec. 4 of 2006 PA 480 (MCL 484.3304).	Referred to Senate Committee on Energy Policy and Public Utilities.
SB 1417 Pappageorge	06/26/2008	Education; curricula; internet safety instruction in schools; require.	Referred to Committee on Education.
SB 1527 Thomas	09/23/2008	Traffic control; traffic regulation; use of cellular telecommunication while operating a vehicle in a work zone; prohibit. Amends sec. 907 of 1949 PA 300 (MCL 257.907) & adds sec. 602b.	Referred to Committee on Transportation.
SB 1528 Thomas	09/23/2008	Traffic control; traffic regulation; use of cellular telecommunication while operating a vehicle in a work zone; prohibit. Amends sec. 907 of 1949 PA 300 (MCL 257.907) & adds sec. 602b.	Referred to Committee on Transportation.
SB 1543 Brown	09/25/2008	Communications; telecommunications; amendments to the emergency telephone service enabling act; provide for.	Referred to Senate Committee on Energy Policy and Public Utilities.

Senate Resolution # Primary Sponsor	Date Introduced	Description	Status (revisions in bold)
SR 0135 Birkholz	01/09/2008	A resolution to request that the Michigan Public Service Commission create a Pole Attachment Remediation Fund and establish procedures to resolve pole attachment disputes.	Referred to Senate Committee on Energy Policy and Public Utilities.
SR 0140 Olshove	01/16/2008	A resolution to encourage cable operators to maintain public access channels at their existing, lower tier location and provide these channels at no additional cost to subscribers.	Referred to Senate Committee on Energy Policy and Public Utilities.

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

House Bill # Primary Sponsor	Date Introduced	Description	Status (revisions in bold)
HB 4726 Cushingberry	05/08/2007	Communications; telecommunications; Amendments to the emergency telephone service enabling act; provide for. Amends sec. 102 of 1986 PA 32 (MCL 484.1102) & adds sec. 408a.	Referred to House Committee on Appropriations.
HB 4852 Cushingberry	05/24/2007	Communications; telecommunications; public safety charge; provide for. Amends 1986 PA 32 (MCL 484.1101 - 484.1717) by adding sec. 408a.	Referred to House Committee on Appropriations.
HB 4982 Polidori	06/27/2007	Traffic control; violations; use of mobile phones while operating a motor vehicle; prohibit. Amends sec. 320a of 1949 PA 300 (MCL 257.320a) & adds sec. 602b.	05/20/2008 Substitute H-2 reported by House Committee on Transportation with recommendation; referred to second reading.
HB 5047 Johnson	07/24/2007	Communications; other; video service provider; clarify public, education, and government access fee. Amends sec. 6 of 2006 PA 480 (MCL 484.3306).	Referred to House Committee on Energy and Technology.
HB 5048 Accavitti	07/24/2007	Communications; other; video service provider; clarify. Amends sec. 10 of 2006 PA 480 (MCL 484.3310).	02/20/2008 Reported by House Committee on Energy and Technology, with recommendation; referred to second reading.
HB 5090 Stakoe	08/08/2007	Civil rights; public records; access to home address and telephone number of a public employee; exclude from freedom of information act. Amends sec. 13 of 1976 PA 442 (MCL 15.243).	Referred to House Committee on Government Relations.
HB 5112 Robertson	08/21/2007	Crimes; telecommunications; malicious use of service provided by telecommunications service provider; provide for increased penalty under certain circumstances. Amends sec. 540e of 1931 PA 328 (MCL 750.540e).	Referred to House Committee on Judiciary.
HB 5113 Robertson	08/21/2007	Criminal procedure; sentencing guidelines; sentencing guidelines for crime of malicious use of service provided by telecommunications service provider; enact. Amends sec. 16z, ch. XVII of 1927 PA 175 (MCL 777.16z). TIE BAR WITH: HB 5112'07.	Referred to House Committee on Judiciary.

House Bill # Primary Sponsor	Date Introduced	Description	Status (revisions in bold)
HB 5117 Bieda	08/21/2007	Traffic control; violations; penalties for operating a motor vehicle while reading, manually writing, or sending a message on an electronic wireless device; provide for. Amends 1949 PA 300 (MCL 257.1 - 257.923) by adding sec. 602b.	05/20/2008 Substitute H-2 reported by House Committee on Transportation with recommendation; referred to second reading.
HB 5131 Dean	08/22/2007	Criminal procedure; sex offender registration; registered sex offenders to provide certain information regarding their internet service; require.	Referred to House Committee on Judiciary.
HB 5133 Law	08/22/2007	Criminal procedure; sex offender registration; reporting requirements; expand to include a valid electronic mail address and user name. Amends sec. 7 of 1994 PA 295 (MCL 28.727).	Referred to House Committee on Judiciary.
HB 5134 Law	08/22/2007	Crimes; criminal sexual conduct; access to commercial social networking websites by certain sex offenders; restrict. Amends 1931 PA 328 (MCL 750.1 - 750.568) by adding sec. 411u.	Referred to House Committee on Judiciary.
HB 5150 A. Smith	08/30/2007	Crimes; other; knowing an individual needs emergency help; require to call 9-1-1. Amends 1931 PA 328 (MCL 750.1 - 750.568) by adding sec. 499.	Referred to House Committee on Judiciary.
HB 5240 Garfield	09/18/2007	Communications; internet; Michigan broadband authority; eliminate. Repeals 2002 PA 49 (MCL 484.3201 - 484.3225).	Referred to House Committee on New Economy and Quality of Life.
HB 5338 Caul	10/23/2007	Communications; cellular telephone; individuals called into active duty; allow to cancel cellular telephone contract without penalties. Amends 1991 PA 179 (MCL 484.2101 - 484.2604) by adding sec. 304c.	06/03/2008 Rule suspended; Discharged from House Committee on Oversight and Investigations; Placed on second reading.
HB 5361 Moss	10/24/2007	Crimes; other; tampering with, defacing, or stealing utility equipment; increase penalties. Amends sec. 383a of 1931 PA 328 (MCL 750.383a).	Referred to House Committee on Judiciary.
HB 5396 Sak	10/31/2007	Traffic control; violations; penalties for operating a motor vehicle while sending or receiving a message on an electronic wireless device; provide for.	05/20/2008 Substitute H-1 reported by House Committee on Transportation with recommendation; referred to second reading.

House Bill # Primary Sponsor	Date Introduced	Description	Status (revisions in bold)
HB 5591 Walker	01/09/2008	Communications; cellular telephone; purchase, photo identification, and retention of certain purchase information; require. Amends 1991 PA 1179 (MCL 484.2101 - 484.2604) by adding pt. J.	Referred to House Committee on Judiciary.
HB 5665 Accavitti 2008 PA 52	01/24/2008	Communications; telecommunications; sunset; eliminate. Amends title of 1991 PA 179 (MCL 484.2101 - 484.2604) & repeals sec. 604 of 1991 PA 179 (MCL 484.2604).	03/27/2008 Signed by Governor Jennifer Granholm; assigned PA 52 with Immediate Effect.
HB 5667 Rocca	01/24/2008	Communications; cable; access for subscriber to public, education, and government channels without need for additional equipment; require. Amends sec. 4 of 2006 PA 480 (MCL 484.3304).	Referred to House Committee on Energy and Technology.
HB 5684 Espinoza	02/06/2008	Communications; telecommunications; eligibility date to opt into METRO funds; revise.	Referred to House Committee on Energy and Technology.
HB 5693 Meadows	02/06/2008	Communications; cable; access for subscriber to public, education, and government channels or lowest tier of service and without need for additional equipment; require.	Referred to House Committee on Energy and Technology.
HB 5696 Law	02/06/2008	Traffic control; violations; use of cellular telephone while operating a vehicle by an individual in the graduated licensing program; prohibit, and establish penalties.	Referred to House Committee on Transportation.
HB 5892 Espinoza	03/13/2008	Communications; telecommunications; sunset for the emergency 9-1-1 service enabling act; extend. Amends sec. 717 of 1986 PA 32 (MCL 484.1717).	Referred to House Committee on Energy and Technology.
HB 5932 LeBlanc	04/08/2008	Consumer protection; unfair trade practices; termination of cellular telephone contracts by certain active military personnel; allow. Creates new act.	09/25/2008 Substitutute H-1 adopted; passed House 105 yeas, 0 nays; given immediate effect; transmitted to Senate.
HB 6044 Accavitti	05/06/2008	Public utilities; other; metropolitan authority; revise utilization of interest and earnings. Amends sec. 11 of 2002 PA 48 (MCL 484.3111).	Referred to House Committee on Energy and Technology.

House Bill # Primary Sponsor	Date Introduced	Description	Status (revisions in bold)
HB 6065 Cheeks	05/06/2008	Communications; telecommunications; sunset for the emergency 9-1-1 service enabling act; repeal. Amends title of 1986 PA 32 (MCL 484.1101 - 484.1717) & repeals sec. 717 of 1986 PA 32 (MCL 484.1717).	Referred to House Committee on Appropriations.
HB 6070 Mayes	05/07/2008	Communications; telecommunications; funding for emergency 9-1-1 service enabling act; modify. Amends sec. 401b of 1986 PA 32 (MCL 484.1401b) & adds secs. 401f & 401g.	Referred to House Committee on Energy and Technology.
HB 6278 Law	06/24/2008	Education; curricula; internet safety instruction in schools; require. Amends 1976 PA 451 (MCL 380.1 - 380.1852) by adding sec. 1163.	Referred to House Committee on Education.
HB 6469 Corriveau	09/18/2008	Education; curricula; internet safety instruction in schools; require. Amends 1976 PA 451 (MCL 380.1 - 380.1852) by adding sec. 1163.	Referred to House Committee on Education.

House Resolution # Primary Sponsor	Date Introduced	Description	Status (revisions in bold)
HCR 0064 Bieda	01/09/2008	A concurrent resolution to encourage cable operators to maintain public access channels at their existing, lower tier location and provide these channels at no additional cost to subscribers.	Referred to House Committee on Energy and Technology.
HR 0245 Bieda	01/09/2008	A resolution to encourage cable operators to maintain public access channels at their existing, lower tier location and provide these channels at no additional cost to subscribers.	Referred to House Committee on Energy and Technology.
HR 0283 Angerer	02/21/2008	A resolution declaring February 20, 2008, as Digital Transition Day in the State of Michigan.	02/21/2008 Adopted.

PUBLIC ACTS OF 2007 & 2008

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

Public Act #	Effective Date	Description	Enrolled Bill No. and Sponsor
2007 PA 164	12/27/2007	Communications; telecommunications; funding system for the emergency telephone service enabling act; modify. Amends title & secs. 101, 102, 201, 202, 203, 205, 301, 302, 303, 306, 307, 308, 312, 319, 320 & 401 of 1986 PA 32 (MCL 484.1101 <i>et seq.</i>) & adds secs. 401a, 401b & 401c. Tie Bar with Enrolled SB 411.	Enrolled SB 410 Brown
2007 PA 165	12/27/2007	Communications; telecommunications; funding system for the emergency telephone service enabling act; modify. Amends secs. 402, 403, 404, 405, 406, 407, 408, 410, 412, 413, 502, 504, 506, 601, 602, 605, 712, 714, 716 & 717 of 1986 PA 32 (MCL 484.1402 <i>et seq.</i>) & repeals. Tie Bar with Enrolled SB 410.	Enrolled SB 411 Brown
2008 PA 48	03/27/2007	Communications; telecommunications; technical and operational charge for emergency telephone service enabling act; extend sunset. Amends sec. 401 of 1986 PA 32 (MCL 484.1401).	Enrolled SB 815 Patterson
2008 PA 52	01/24/2008	Communications; telecommunications; sunset; eliminate. Amends title of 1991 PA 179 (MCL 484.2101 - 484.2604) & repeals sec. 604 of 1991 PA 179 (MCL 484.2604).	Enrolled HB 5665 Accavitti
2008 PA 130	05/13/2008	Communications; telecommunications; eligibility date to opt into METRO funds; revise. Amends sec. 13 of 2002 PA 48 (MCL 484.3113).	Enrolled SB 108 Basham

ORDERS ISSUED BY MPSC |

The Michigan Public Service Commission issued the following Orders at the regularly scheduled Commission meeting held on October 21, 2008 at 1:30 p.m.:

Case No. U-12590 License
WilTel Local Network, LLC, f/k/a Williams Local Network, Inc.

On October 21, 2008, the Michigan Public Service Commission (“Commission”) issued an order rescinding the license of WilTel Local Network, LLC, f/k/a Williams Local Network, Inc. to provide basic local exchange service in Michigan. The license had initially been granted by the Commission on May 15, 2001.

Case No. U-12627 Interconnection Agreement
AT&T Michigan and New Edge Network, Inc.
Application filed September 26, 2008 for approval of a Ninth Amendment to an Interconnection Agreement (revises definition of “business lines” to comply with U.S. District Court, Eastern District of Michigan, order reversing in part the Commission’s TRO/TRRO order in Case No. U-14447).

Case No. U-13805 Interconnection Agreement
AT&T Michigan and grid4 Communications, Inc.
Application filed October 9, 2008 for approval of a Seventh Amendment to an Interconnection Agreement (revises definition of “business lines” to comply with U.S. District Court, Eastern District of Michigan, order reversing in part the Commission’s TRO/TRRO order in Case No. U-14447).

Case No. U-13805 Interconnection Agreement
AT&T Michigan and grid4 Communications, Inc.
Application filed October 9, 2008 for approval of an Eighth Amendment to an Interconnection Agreement (incorporates the Internet Service Provider Reciprocal Compensation Termination Plan and extends the term of the Interconnection Agreement to January 14, 2011).

Case No. U-15314 Interconnection Agreement
AT&T Michigan and Bright House Networks Information Services (Michigan), LLC
Application filed October 8, 2008 for approval of a Tenth Amendment to an Interconnection Agreement (extends reciprocal compensation).

On October 21, 2008, the Michigan Public Service Commission (“Commission”) issued an Order approving the Interconnection Agreements and Amendments listed above.

Case No. U-15609 Interconnection Arbitration
Allendale Telephone Company, Barry County Telephone Company, Deerfield Farmers’ Telephone Company, Drenthe Telephone Company, Lennon Telephone Company, Ogden Telephone Company, Pigeon Telephone Company, Springport Telephone Company, and Waldron Telephone Company v T-Mobile USA, Inc.
<http://efile.mpsc.cis.state.mi.us/efile/viewcase.php?casenum=15609>

On October 21, 2008, the Michigan Public Service Commission (“Commission”) issued an Order dismissing with prejudice, contingent upon the Commission’s approval of the Parties’ negotiated Interconnection Agreements, the June 23, 2008 Petition for Arbitration brought by Allendale Telephone Company, Barry County Telephone Company, Deerfield Farmers’ Telephone

Company, Drenthe Telephone Company, Lennon Telephone Company, Ogden Telephone Company, Pigeon Telephone Company, Springport Telephone Company, and Waldron Telephone Company against T-Mobile USA, Inc. On September 30, 2008 the Parties filed a joint motion to dismiss the proceeding, stating that they have resolved all of the issues and desire to present an Interconnection Agreement for Commission approval at a later date.

Case No. U-14935 2-1-1
United Way Regional Call Center
<http://efile.mpsc.cis.state.mi.us/efile/viewcase.php?casenum=14935>

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Jackson 2-1-1 Call Center
<http://efile.mpsc.cis.state.mi.us/efile/viewcase.php?casenum=15619>

On October 21, 2008, the Michigan Public Service Commission (“Commission”) issued an Order granting the June 24, 2008 request by United Way Regional Call Center to assign the abbreviated telephone digits 2-1-1 and designation as the community resource information and referral answering point for telephone exchanges located, in whole or part, within Livingston County to the Jackson 2-1-1 Call Center and the July 22, 2008 Application of Jackson 2-1-1 Call Center requesting the 2-1-1 designation as the community resource information and referral answering point for telephone exchanges located, in whole or part, within Livingston and Lenawee counties in Michigan. Jackson 2-1-1 had previously been assigned 2-1-1 designation for exchanges located in Jackson, Clinton, Eaton, Hillsdale, and Ingham counties. The Commission’s Order includes the following exchange areas in Jackson 2-1-1’s call center designation: Addison, Adrian, Blissfield, Brighton, Byron, Clayton, Deerfield, Fenton, Fowlerville, Hartland, Howell, Hudson, Linden, Morenci, Ogden Center, Onsted, Pinckney, Sand Creek, Tecumseh, and Waldron. Responding to concerns raised in comments by the Telecommunications Association of Michigan and Verizon North Inc. and Contel of the South, Inc., d/b/a Verizon North Systems, and MCImetro Access Transmission Services LLC, d/b/a Verizon Access Transmission Services (collectively Verizon), the Commission specifically found that “Jackson 2-1-1 Call Center shall provide sufficient resources to operate the 2-1-1 telephone number 24 hours per day, 7 days per week.”

Case No. U-15625 Eligible Telecommunications Carrier
TracFone Wireless, Inc.
<http://efile.mpsc.cis.state.mi.us/efile/viewcase.php?casenum=15625>

On October 21, 2008, the Michigan Public Service Commission (“Commission”) issued an Order designating TracFone Wireless, Inc. as an Eligible Telecommunications Carrier (“ETC”) for purposes of Universal Service Fund (“USF”) support solely for the purposes of providing Lifeline and Link Up service statewide to qualifying Michigan citizens, pursuant to Section 214(e)(2) of the federal Telecommunications Act of 1996 (FTA), 47 USC § 214(e)(2). Because TracFone is a non-facilities-based commercial mobile radio service (“CMRS”) provider furnishing prepaid wireless telecommunications services, the Commission placed several conditions on TracFone’s ETC designation. These conditions are:

- E911 compliant handsets shall be provided to TracFone’s new customers and TracFone shall replace any non-compliant handsets for its existing customers at no charge;
- TracFone shall submit certification from each 911 County Coordinator in Michigan where TracFone provides Lifeline service confirming that TracFone provides its customers with access to basic and E911 services;
- TracFone shall submit self-certifications from TracFone’s Lifeline/Link Up customers, under penalty of perjury, once service has been activated, with annual certification that the customer is the head of household and is only receiving Lifeline discounts from TracFone;
- TracFone shall provide tracking of Lifeline customers’ primary residential address and certification that there is only one customer receiving Lifeline at each residential address; and,
- TracFone shall notify the Commission of any future changes to its rates, terms and conditions regarding its Lifeline/Link Up offerings.

Case No. U-15649

License

Sage Spectrum, LLC

<http://efile.mpsc.cis.state.mi.us/efile/viewcase.php?casenum=15649>

On October 21, 2008, the Michigan Public Service Commission issued an order granting to Sage Spectrum, LLC a temporary license to provide basic local exchange service throughout the State of Michigan. This temporary license shall expire upon issuance of the final order granting or denying Sage Spectrum, LLC’s September 4, 2008 Application for a permanent license.

MINUTE ACTION |

AT&T Michigan

9-1-1 Costs

On October 21, 2008, the Michigan Public Service Commission (“Commission”) issued a Minute Action approving AT&T Michigan’s Invoice No. 517 R41-0001 067 9 for the period of June 1, 2008 – August 31, 2008 for wireless emergency service costs recoverable under MCL 484.1408(4)(b) and recommends reimbursement by the Michigan Department of Treasury in the amount of \$130,237.44.

APPLICATIONS AND COMPLAINTS |

Case No. U-15683

Video Franchise

AT&T Michigan v. The City of Clawson

<http://efile.mpsc.cis.state.mi.us/efile/viewcase.php?casenum=13805>

On October 24, 2008, AT&T Michigan filed a formal Complaint with the Michigan Public Service Commission (“Commission”) against the City of Clawson (the “City”) pursuant to the Uniform Video Services Local Franchise Act (the “Act”), MCL 484.3301 *et seq.*, and the Metropolitan Extension Telecommunications Rights-of-Way Oversight Act (the “METRO Act”), MCL 484.3101 *et seq.*, concerning the City’s determination that AT&T’s September 30, 2008

proposed Uniform Video Service Local Franchise Agreement (the "Proposed Agreement") was "incomplete" under the Act. According to the Complaint, the City deemed the Application incomplete because it did not include provisions requested by the City pertaining to the construction and placement of AT&T facilities in public rights-of-way ("ROW"), including (1) requests for additional information concerning the use and location of existing telephone facilities in the ROW; (2) a provision authorizing the City to remediate construction in the ROW if not completed to its satisfaction by AT&T and its contractors; (3) an additional provision for a construction bond; (4) additional provisions regarding dispute resolution issues involving construction in the ROW; and (5) additional provisions addressing liability, indemnification, and insurance for damage claims relating to work in the ROW. AT&T requests that the Commission immediately issue an order finding (1) unlawful the City of Clawson's belief that the AT&T Proposed Agreement is incomplete, (2) that AT&T's Proposed Agreement is complete, and (3) that the City has until October 30, 2008 to approve the same.

Case No. U-15711

Consumer Complaint: Quality of Service

Eye Spy Detective Agency

On October 24, 2008, Eye Spy Detective Agency, of Fraser, Michigan, filed a formal Complaint with the Michigan Public Service Commission ("Commission") against AT&T Michigan alleging that their phone service experiences intermittent outages. According to the Complaint, AT&T's technicians have reported that the outside phone lines must be replaced due to age and damage, but AT&T refuses to do so "due to the cost involved." Eye Spy Detective Agency seeks a Commission Order requiring AT&T to replace the phone lines to their business and the imposition of fines and costs against AT&T pursuant to the Michigan Telecommunications Act.

Case No. U-15726

Eligible Telecommunications Carrier

American Broadband and Telecommunications Company

<http://efile.mpsc.cis.state.mi.us/efile/viewcase.php?casenum=15726>

On October 24, 2008, American Broadband and Telecommunications Company filed an Application with the Michigan Public Service Commission ("Commission") seeking to be designated as an Eligible Telecommunications Carrier ("ETC") throughout its licensed service area within the State of Michigan, pursuant to Sections 214(e)(2), 214(e)(6) and 254 of the Federal Communications Act.

Case No. U-15727

Interconnection Agreement

Ace Telephone Company of Michigan, Inc., Allendale Telephone Company, Baraga Telephone Company, Barry County Telephone Company, Blanchard Telephone Company, Bloomingdale Telephone Company, Inc., Carr Telephone Company d/b/a Carr Communications, Chippewa County Telephone Company, Climax Telephone Company d/b/a CTS Telecom, Inc., Drenthe Telephone Company d/b/a Drenthe Telephone & Communications, Kaleva Telephone Company, Lennon Telephone Company, Midway Telephone Company, Ontonagon County Telephone Company, Peninsula Telephone Company, Springport Telephone Company, Upper Peninsula Telephone Company, Westphalia Telephone Company, and Winn Telephone Company and Charter Fiberlink - Michigan, LLC
<http://efile.mpsc.cis.state.mi.us/efile/viewcase.php?casenum=15727>

On October 31, 2008, Ace Telephone Company of Michigan, Inc., Allendale Telephone Company, Baraga Telephone Company, Barry County Telephone Company, Blanchard Telephone Company, Bloomingdale Telephone Company, Inc., Carr Telephone Company d/b/a Carr Communications, Chippewa County Telephone Company, Climax Telephone Company d/b/a CTS

Telecom, Inc., Drenthe Telephone Company d/b/a Drenthe Telephone & Communications, Kaleva Telephone Company, Lennon Telephone Company, Midway Telephone Company, Ontonagon County Telephone Company, Peninsula Telephone Company, Springport Telephone Company, Upper Peninsula Telephone Company, Westphalia Telephone Company, and Winn Telephone Company and Charter Fiberlink - Michigan, LLC jointly filed an Application with the Michigan Public Service Commission (“Commission”) requesting approval of a series of Interconnection Agreements individually between Ace Telephone Company of Michigan, Inc., Allendale Telephone Company, Baraga Telephone Company, Barry County Telephone Company, Blanchard Telephone Company, Bloomingdale Telephone Company, Inc., Carr Telephone Company d/b/a Carr Communications, Chippewa County Telephone Company, Climax Telephone Company d/b/a CTS Telecom, Inc., Drenthe Telephone Company d/b/a Drenthe Telephone & Communications, Kaleva Telephone Company, Lennon Telephone Company, Midway Telephone Company, Ontonagon County Telephone Company, Peninsula Telephone Company, Springport Telephone Company, Upper Peninsula Telephone Company, Westphalia Telephone Company, and Winn Telephone Company and Charter Fiberlink - Michigan, LLC

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

There are no known Telecommunications Opportunities to Comment currently pending before the Commission.

NOTICES OF HEARINGS |

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

Case No. U-15624

License

New Horizons Communications Corp.

<http://efile.mpsc.cis.state.mi.us/efile/viewcase.php?casenum=15624>

Evidentiary Hearing: Tuesday, November 18, 2008, 9:00 a.m.

The Michigan Public Service Commission (“Commission”) will consider the July 16, 2008 Application of New Horizons Communications Corp., 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, at 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday, **November 18, 2008**, before Administrative Law Judge Barbara Stump, at the offices of the Commission, 6545 Mercantile Way, Suite 7, Lansing, Michigan. Interested parties wishing to intervene in this proceeding must do so no later than Friday, November 14, 2008.

Case No. U-15682

Toll Access Rates

AT&T Michigan v ACD Telecom, Inc.

<http://efile.mpsc.cis.state.mi.us/efile/viewcase.php?casenum=15682>

Prehearing Conference: Thursday, November 6, 2008, 9:00 a.m.

The Michigan Public Service Commission (“Commission”) will consider the Complaint of Michigan Bell Telephone Company, d/b/a AT&T Michigan against ACD Telecom, Inc. for alleged violations of the Michigan Telecommunications Act (“MTA”) at a Public Hearing to be held at **9:00 a.m. on Thursday, November 6, 2008**, before Administrative Law Judge Daniel E. Nickerson, Jr. at the offices of the Commission, 6545 Mercantile Way, Suite 7, Lansing, Michigan. This hearing will be a prehearing conference to set future hearing dates and decide other procedural matters. On October 3, 2008, AT&T Michigan filed a formal Complaint alleging that ACD failed to impute its prices of switched access service to itself in its prices for intrastate toll services and that ACD’s intrastate tariff contains statements that are false, misleading and deceptive in violation of the MTA. AT&T Michigan is requesting that the Commission order remedies and penalties against ACD, issue fines, order ACD to refund excessive access charges, require ACD to file a cost study, and issue a cease and desist order.

Case No. U-15689

Consumer Complaint: Quality Service

A-1 Laundry Equipment & Repair, LLC v. Cavalier Telephone

Evidentiary Hearing: Thursday, November 6, 2008, 9:00 a.m.

The Michigan Public Service Commission (“Commission”) will consider the Complaint of A-1 Laundry Equipment & Repair, LLC against LDMI Telecommunications, Inc., d/b/a Cavalier Telephone, for alleged violations of the Michigan Telecommunications Act (“MTA”) and the Commission’s Rules on Billing Standards for Basic Residential Telecommunication Service, and Telecommunication Services at a Public Hearing to be held at **9:00 a.m. on Thursday, November 6, 2008**, before Administrative Law Judge Sharon L. Feldman at the offices of the Michigan Public Service Commission, 6545 Mercantile Way, Suite 7, Lansing, Michigan. On October 1, 2008, A-1 Laundry Equipment & Repair filed a formal Complaint alleging that LDMI violated the MTA, the Commission’s Rules on Billing Standards for Basic Residential Telecommunication Service, and Telecommunication Services regarding the company’s refusal to transfer A-1 Laundry to another provider, failure to credit account for outages, failure to fix reported problems, and failure to provide a local telephone directory. A-1 Laundry is requesting reimbursement for total economic losses, imposition of fines, and issuance of a Cease and Desist Order for negligence.

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 (NOVEMBER 3, 2008 THROUGH NOVEMBER 14, 2008)

November 6, 2008, 9:00 a.m.
Case No. U-15682/Prehearing Conference
AT&T Michigan v. ACD Telecom (toll access rates)

November 6, 2008, 9:00 a.m.
Case No. U-15689/Evidentiary Hearing
A-1 Laundry Equipment & Repair, LLC against
LDMI Telecommunications, Inc., d/b/a Cavalier
Telephone (consumer complaint: quality service)

FUTURE TELECOM HEARINGS SCHEDULED

November 18, 2008, 9:00 a.m.
Case No. U-15624/Evidentiary Hearing
New Horizons Communications Corp. (license)

November 25, 2008, 9:00 a.m.
Case No. U-15655/Prehearing Conference
Telnet Worldwide v. AT&T Michigan (billing dispute)

2008 REGULAR MPSC MEETING DATES* |

<u>Month & Date</u>	<u>Day</u>	<u>Time</u>
November 13	Thursday	1:30 p.m.
December 9	Tuesday	1:30 p.m.
December 23	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

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