



### FEATURES |

#### ***Sprint Network Receives Shared #1 Ranking for Reliability, Call and Text in Ann Arbor, Michigan |***

Network improves daily making it a great time to switch to Sprint

Note: Sprint issued the Press Release below on May 15, 2015. For additional information contact Yui Namiki, 571-287-8204, <yui.namiki@sprint.com>.

ANN ARBOR, Mich. – May 15, 2015 – Sprint today announced that its network in Ann Arbor, Michigan, received shared 1st place rankings for reliability, call and text performance, according to a new RootScore® Report by independent mobile analytics firm RootMetrics®.

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... Sprint shares the Call RootScore Award for the second consecutive test period in Ann Arbor. During this most recent test Sprint did not record any blocked calls. In 84 other markets measured in the first half of 2015, Sprint has been awarded a total of 117 first place (outright or shared) RootScore Awards for overall, reliability, speed, data, call, or text network performance.<sup>1</sup>

“Our network gets better every day as we work to deliver the consistent reliability, capacity, and speed that our customers demand,” said Scott Santi, vice president of Sprint’s network in the North Region. “We’re pleased with these latest results for reliability, call and text, and we’re laser-focused on improving data speeds as we further invest in our Ann Arbor network.”

**Best Value in Wireless** – In addition to offering a significantly improved network, Sprint is committed to providing consumers the best value in wireless. With the Cut Your Bill in Half Event, Sprint will cut in half the monthly rate plan for Verizon and AT&T customers who switch to Sprint when they bring in their current bill and their old phones. The offer provides unlimited talk and text to anywhere in the U.S. while on the Sprint network – regardless of a customer’s current plan – and matches the customer’s data allowance for half the cost they are currently paying for their monthly rate plan.<sup>2</sup> Sprint will reimburse all of the costs to switch, including early termination fees and remaining payments on phone installment plans – no matter what is owed. Sprint will reimburse the switching costs within approximately 15 days of successfully completing the online registration and providing a bill that shows the early termination charge or device balance due via an American Express Reward card.<sup>3</sup>

For more materials, view the Press Kit at: <http://newsroom.sprint.com/presskits/ann-arbor-michigan-reliability-call-and-text-press-kit.htm>.

**About RootMetrics** – RootMetrics, an independent mobile analytics firm that offers insights into the consumer mobile experience, tests the networks of all four major wireless carriers in the U.S. twice per year. The company provides objective, unbiased assessments of performance across a broad range of consumer-oriented mobile activities including data usage, calling, and texting. Network reliability measures a customer’s ability to establish and keep a data connection, make and retain a call, and send and receive texts.

Rankings based on RootMetrics Ann Arbor (April 2015) RootScore Report for mobile performance as tested on best available plans and devices on 4 mobile networks across all available network types. The RootMetrics award is not an endorsement of Sprint. Your results may vary. See [www.rootmetrics.com](http://www.rootmetrics.com) for details.

**About Sprint** – Sprint (NYSE: S) is a communications services company that creates more and better ways to connect its customers to the things they care about most. Sprint served more than 57 million connections as of March 31, 2015 and is widely recognized for developing, engineering and deploying innovative technologies, including the first wireless 4G service from a national carrier in the United States; leading no-contract brands including Virgin Mobile USA, Boost Mobile, and Assurance Wireless; instant national and international push-to-talk capabilities; and a global Tier 1 Internet backbone. Sprint has been named to the Dow Jones Sustainability Index (DJSI) North

America for the past four years. You can learn more and visit Sprint at <<http://www.sprint.com>> or <<http://www.facebook.com/sprint>> and <<http://www.twitter.com/sprint>>.

<sup>1</sup> Rankings based on 84 RootMetrics (January 1 – April 14, 2015) RootScore Reports for mobile performance as tested on best available plans and devices on four mobile networks across all available network types. Your experiences may vary. The RootMetrics award is not an endorsement of Sprint. Visit [www.rootmetrics.com](http://www.rootmetrics.com) for more details.

<sup>2</sup> Requires turn in of old phone with valid port from AT&T or Verizon to consumer account with \$10 min. monthly rate charge. Discount does not apply to certain charges such as taxes, surcharges, add-ons, apps, premium content, int’l services, devices, partial charges or add’l lines. Usage Limitations: Other plans may receive prioritized bandwidth availability. To improve data experience for the majority of users, throughput may be limited, varied or reduced on the network.

<sup>3</sup> All lines must be ported from an active wireless line at another carrier. Must activate a device on Sprint Easy Pay, Sprint Lease, iPhone for Life Plan or pay full retail price with a new line of service and turn in your current competitor device associated with the bill. Limited time offer. Allow 15 days for your Reward Card to arrive.

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## 2015 & 2016 LEGISLATION |

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 Website, <<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 0301 Warren	04/28/2015	Environmental protection; recycling; consumer electronic waste; expand to include cellular telephones and tablet computers. Amends secs. 17301, 17305, 17307 & 17309 of 1994 PA 451 (MCL 324.17301 et seq.) & repeals sec. 17313 of 1994 PA 451 (MCL 324.17313).	Referred to Senate Committee on Natural Resources.
SB 0336 Schuitmaker	05/15/2015	<b>Law enforcement; other; public safety communications; create Michigan blue alert plan to broadcast information regarding attacks on peace officers. Creates new act.</b>	<b>Referred to Senate Committee on Judiciary</b>

House Bill # Primary Sponsor	Date Introduced	Description	Status (revisions in bold)
HB 4006 Heise	01/15/2015	Law enforcement; investigations; disclosure of call location information by wireless providers to requesting law enforcement agency; require. Creates new act.	02/18/2015 Substitute H-1 reported with recommendation by House Committee on Criminal Justice; referred to second reading.
<b>HB 4038</b> <b>Forlini</b>  <b>2015 PA 36</b>	<b>01/21/2015</b>	<b>Housing; landlord and tenants; notification of evictions; allow by electronic mail. Amends sec. 5718 of 1961 PA 236 (MCL 600.5718).</b>	<b>05/21/2015 Signed by Gov. Snyder; assigned 2015 PA 36 with immediate effect; 05/12/2015 Passed Senate, 116 Yeas, 26 Nays, 11 Excused, 1 Not Voting; Returned to House without amendments; Ordered Enrolled.</b>
HB 4291 Love	03/04/2015	Environmental protection; recycling; consumer electronic waste; expand to include cellular telephones and tablet computers. Amends secs. 17301, 17305, 17307 & 17309 of 1994 PA 451 (MCL 324.17301 et seq.) & repeals sec. 17313 of 1994 PA 451 (MCL 324.17313)	Referred to House Committee on Communications and Technology.
HB 4373 Geiss	03/24/2015	Education; public school academies; cyber schools; require posting educational materials on website and submission to department. Amends 1976 PA 451 (MCL 380.1 - 380.1852) by adding sec. 553b.	Referred to House Committee on Education.
HB 4378 Cole	03/24/2015	Administrative procedure; contested cases; award of costs and fees to prevailing party in a case involving this state; remove certain restrictions. Amends sec. 123 of 1969 PA 306 (MCL 24.323).	Referred to House Committee on Government Operations.

House Resolution # Primary Sponsor	Date Introduced	Description	Status (revisions in bold)
HR 0017 Tedder	02/19/2015	A resolution to memorialize the President of the United States, the U.S. Congress, and the U.S. Federal Communications Commission to rescind the ruling which regulates broadband Internet services as common carrier services under Title II of the Communications Act of 1934	03/04/2015 Substitute H-1 Adopted by the House.
HR 0039 Townsend	03/17/2015	A resolution to memorialize the President of the United States, the U.S. Congress, and the U.S. Federal Communications Commission to stand firm on the decision to regulate broadband Internet services as common carrier services under Title II of the Communications Act of 1934 in the interest of preserving net neutrality.	03/17/2015 Referred to House Committee on Communications and Technology.
HCR 0004 Townsend	03/17/2015	A concurrent resolution to memorialize the President of the United States, the U.S. Congress, and the U.S. Federal Communications Commission to stand firm on the decision to regulate broadband Internet services as common carrier services under Title II of the Communications Act of 1934 in the interest of preserving net neutrality.	03/17/2015 Referred to House Committee on Communications and Technology.

Senate Resolution # Primary Sponsor	Date Introduced	Description	Status (revisions in bold)
SR 0016 Kowall	02/24/2015	A resolution to memorialize the President of the United States, the U.S. Congress, and the U.S. Federal Communications Commission to refrain from regulating broadband Internet services as common carrier services under Title II of the Communications Act of 1934.	02/25/2015 Adopted by the Senate.

Senate Resolution # Primary Sponsor	Date Introduced	Description	Status (revisions in bold)
SR 0031 Kowall	03/25/2015	A resolution to urge the adoption of Intelligent Transportation System technologies throughout the state, further research into vehicle communication systems, and the testing and operation of connected and automated vehicles.	03/25/2015 Adopted by the Senate.

## **PUBLIC ACTS OF 2015 & 2016 |**

Listed below are Public Acts related to telecommunications that were passed during the current legislative session (2015-2016). Copies of Public Acts may be obtained by contacting your state Senator or Representative, on the Michigan Legislature Website, <<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
<b>2015 PA 36</b>	<b>05/21/2015</b>	<b>Housing; landlord and tenants; notification of evictions; allow by electronic mail. Amends sec. 5718 of 1961 PA 236 (MCL 600.5718).</b>	<b>HB 4038 Forlini</b>

## **ORDERS ISSUED BY THE COMMISSION |**

The Michigan Public Service Commission (“Commission”) issued the following Orders at its regularly scheduled meeting held on Thursday, May 15, 2015, at 11:30 a.m. at the Commission’s offices located at 7109 W. Saginaw Highway, Lansing, Michigan.

**Case No. U-11194** License  
**Comcast Telephony of Michigan, Inc.**

**Case No. U-13161** License  
**Comcast Business Communications, Inc.**

On May 14, 2015, the Michigan Public Service Commission (“Commission”) issued an Order rescinding the license of Comcast Business Communications, LLC, f/k/a Comcast Business Communications, Inc., f/k/a Comcast Telephony Communications of Michigan, Inc. (“Comcast Business”), to provide basic local exchange service in certain areas in southeastern Michigan. On March 24, 2015, Comcast Business informed the Commission of its intent to surrender the license and stated that it has no customers.

**Case No. U-17654**

License

**Midwest Cable Phone of Michigan, LLC**

<http://efile.mpsc.state.mi.us/efile/viewcase.php?casenum=17654>

On May 14, 2015, the Michigan Public Service Commission (“Commission”) issued an Order rescinding the license of Midwest Cable Phone of Michigan, LLC. On April 29, 2015, Midwest Cable Phone of Michigan, LLC filed a Notice of Relinquishment with the Commission and stated that it has no customers and that planned transactions that were the predicate for the application for the license have been terminated.

## **APPLICATIONS AND COMPLAINTS |**

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**Case No. U-12952**

Interconnection Agreement

**AT&T Michigan and TDS Metrocom, LLC**

<http://efile.mpsc.state.mi.us/efile/viewcase.php?casenum=12952>

On May 13, 2015, AT&T Michigan and TDS Metrocom, LLC jointly filed an Application with the Michigan Public Service Commission (“Commission”) seeking approval of the Twentieth Amendment to their Interconnection Agreement. According to the Application, the Twentieth Amendment implements the terms of the Report and Order and Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking issued by the Federal Communications Commission (“FCC”) on November 18, 2011 (FCC 11-161), and as amended by the FCC on December 23, 2011 (FCC 11-189) into the Agreement.

**Case No. U-15727**

Interconnection Agreement

**Ace Telephone Company of Michigan, Inc. and Charter Fiberlink-Michigan, LLC**

<http://efile.mpsc.state.mi.us/efile/viewcase.php?casenum=15727>

On May 7, 2015, Ace Telephone Company of Michigan, Inc. and Charter Fiberlink-Michigan, LLC jointly filed an Application with the Michigan Public Service Commission (“Commission”) seeking approval of the First Amendment to their Local Traffic Exchange Agreement. According to the Application, the First Amendment adds the call route between the Ravenner rate center and the Coopersville rate center in Schedule 1.13 of the Local Traffic Exchange Agreement.

**Case No. U-15791**

License

**Three Rivers Telecom, Inc.**

<http://efile.mpsc.state.mi.us/efile/viewcase.php?casenum=15791>

On May 12, 2015, Three Rivers Telecom, Inc. filed a letter with the Michigan Public Service Commission (“Commission”) requesting to surrender its license to provide basic local exchange service. According to the letter, Three Rivers Telecom, Inc. is no longer conducting business in Michigan and has no current customers.

**Case No. U-17856**

Consumer Complaint

**Mark P. Donaldson and Peggy Hampel v Kirtland Community College and Custom Software Inc.**

On May 13, 2015, Mark P. Donaldson and Peggy Hampel (“Complainants”), of Roscommon, Michigan, filed a Formal Complaint with the Michigan Public Service Commission (“Commission”) against Kirtland Community College (“Kirtland”) and Custom Software Inc. According to the Complaint, the Complainants allege that Kirtland and Custom Software Inc. are utilizing rights-of-way without properly following the procedures outlined in 2002 PA 48, the Metropolitan Extension

Telecommunications Rights-of-way Oversight Act , MCL 484.3101, *et seq.*, and in 2014 PA 88, the Local Community Stabilization Authority Act, MCL 484.3102 and 484.3103.

## **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.

*There are no known Notices of Opportunities to Comment on Telecommunications Proceedings pending before the Michigan Public Service Commission at this time.*

## **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 Michigan Public Service Commission, 7109 W. Saginaw, Lansing, Michigan.

*There are no known Notices of Hearing for Telecommunications Hearings pending before the Michigan Public Service Commission at this time.*

## **MPSC HEARINGS SCHEDULE |**

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Note: Unless indicated otherwise, hearings are held at the Michigan Public Service Commission's new offices at 7109 W. Saginaw, 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 TELECOMMUNICATIONS HEARINGS SCHEDULED FOR THE NEXT FORTNIGHT (MAY 26, 2015 THROUGH JUNE 5, 2015)**

*There are no known Telecommunications Hearings scheduled during the current fortnight.*

### **FUTURE TELECOM HEARINGS SCHEDULED**

*There are no known Telecommunications Hearings scheduled beyond the current fortnight.*



## 2015 REGULAR MPSC MEETING DATES<sup>†</sup> |

MONTH & DATE	DAY	TIME
June 3	Wednesday	1:30 p.m.
June 15	Monday	1:30 p.m.
June 30	Tuesday	1:30 p.m.
July 9	Thursday	1:30 p.m.
July 23	Thursday	1:30 p.m.
August 11	Tuesday	1:30 p.m.
August 25	Tuesday	1:30 p.m.
September 10	Thursday	1:30 p.m.
September 24	Thursday	1:30 p.m.
October 7	Wednesday	1:30 p.m.
October 22	Thursday	1:30 p.m.
November 5	Thursday	1:30 p.m.
November 19	Thursday	1:30 p.m.
December 8	Tuesday	1:30 p.m.
December 22	Tuesday	1:30 p.m.

<sup>†</sup> Additional meetings of the Michigan Public Service Commission (“Commission”) 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).

All meetings of the Commission are open to the public and will be held at the Commission’s new offices, which are located at 7109 W. Saginaw, Lansing, Michigan, 48917, unless posted and notified in accordance with the Open Meetings Act. Visitors should park in the south side, rear parking lot, which is in the back of the building and enter through the doors posted for “Visitors.” The meeting site is accessible, including handicapped parking. People with disabilities requiring additional accommodations such as information in alternative formats in order to participate in the meeting should contact the Commission’s Executive Secretary at (517) 284-8090.

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 Commission may make an inquiry by calling the Commission’s Executive Secretary at (517) 248-8090.

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