

**BEFORE THE TENNESSEE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION**

**NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE**

**July 25, 2022**

<b>IN RE:</b>	)	
	)	<b>DOCKET NO.</b>
<b>APPLICATION OF VALUE-ADDED</b>	)	<b>04-00401</b>
<b>COMMUNICATIONS, INC. FOR</b>	)	
<b>AUTHORITY TO PROVIDE COCOT</b>	)	<b>Cancellation Request Co. ID:</b>
<b>SERVICES IN TENNESSEE</b>	)	<b>128923</b>

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**ORDER GRANTING CANCELLATION OF AUTHORITY TO PROVIDE  
CUSTOMER OWNED COIN OR COINLESS OPERATED TELEPHONE  
SERVICE**

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This matter came before Chairman Herbert H. Hilliard, Vice Chairman John Hie, Commissioner Robin L. Morrison, Commissioner Clay R. Good, and Commissioner Kenneth C. Hill, of the Tennessee Public Utility Commission (the “Commission” or “TPUC”), the voting panel assigned to this docket, during a regularly scheduled Commission Conference held on July 11, 2022, to consider a request to cancel the COCOT authority of Value-Added Communications, Inc. (“Value-Added Communications” or the “Company”).

Previously in 2004, the Company filed an Application to provide Customer Owned Coin or Coinless Operated Telephone (“COCOT”) Service within the State of Tennessee.<sup>1</sup> During a regularly scheduled Commission Conference held on December 13, 2004, the Commission found that Value-Added Communications met all the requirements of Tenn. Comp. R. & Regs. 1220-04-02-.43 through 1220-04-02-.45 to provide COCOT service in

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<sup>1</sup> *Application, Order and Inspection Fees* (February 25, 2013).

Tennessee and approved its Application.<sup>2</sup> On June 24, 2022, the Company filed a request to cancel its COCOT authority in Tennessee asserting that it has no customers or phones in Tennessee nor any plans to provide payphone services in the future. Based upon careful consideration of the record in this matter, the panel voted unanimously to grant the Company's request to cancel its authority to provide COCOT service in Tennessee.

**FOR THE TENNESSEE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION:**

**Chairman Herbert H. Hilliard,  
Vice Chairman John Hie,  
Commissioner Robin L. Morrison,  
Commissioner Clay R. Good, and  
Commissioner Kenneth C. Hill, concurring.**

None dissenting.

**ATTEST:**



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**Earl R. Taylor, Executive Director**

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<sup>2</sup> *Order Granting Authority to Provide COCOT Service* (January 5, 2005).