

BEFORE THE TENNESSEE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE

August 22, 2017

IN RE:

PETITION OF BUDGET PHONE, INC.
FOR DESIGNATION AS AN ELIGIBLE
TELECOMMUNICATIONS CARRIER

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DOCKET NO.
05-00228

Company ID:
128326

ORDER GRANTING CANCELLATION OF DESIGNATION AS
ELIGIBLE TELECOMMUNICATIONS CARRIER

This matter came before Vice Chairman Robin L. Morrison, Commissioner Herbert H. Hilliard and Commissioner Keith Jordan of the Tennessee Public Utility Commission (the "Commission"), the voting panel assigned to this docket, at a regularly scheduled Commission Conference held on August 15, 2017. A *Petition for Designation as an Eligible Telecommunications Carrier in the State of Tennessee* ("Petition") was filed by Budget Phone, Inc. ("Budget Phone") on August 9, 2005. During a Commission Conference held on December 12, 2005, the Commissioners granted the *Petition* and designated Budget Phone as an Eligible Telecommunications Carrier ("ETC") in Tennessee. A name change to Budget PrePay, Inc. d/b/a Budget Phone ("Budget PrePay" or the "Company") was approved by the Commission on November 6, 2006 in Docket No. 06-00231. On May 17, 2017, the Commission received a request from Budget PrePay to cancel its ETC designation, stating that it has no subscribers in Tennessee. Based upon careful consideration of the entire record in this matter, the Commissioners voted unanimously to grant the Company's request to cancel its ETC designation.¹

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Vice Chairman Robin L. Morrison, Commissioner Herbert H. Hilliard and Commissioner Keith Jordan concur.

ATTEST:



Earl R. Taylor, Executive Director

¹ The Company was granted a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity ("CCN") to provide competing facilities-based local exchange and interexchange telecommunications services in Tennessee in Docket No. 02-00885. At the Company's request, its CCN was cancelled during a Commission Conference held on July 10, 2017.