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January 8, 2015

Mr. Earl Taylor
Executive Director
Tennessee Regulatory Authority
502 Deaderick Street, 4th Floor
Nashville, Tennessee 37243

Re: Docket No. 07-00241

In Re: Application of Nexus Communications, Inc. for a CCN to Provide Competing Local Exchange and Interexchange Telecommunications Services in Tennessee

Docket No. 08-00119

In Re: Application of Nexus Communications, Inc. for Designation as an Eligible Telecommunications Carrier

Request to Cancel CCN and Relinquish ETC Designation

Dear Mr. Taylor:

Nexus Communications, Inc. ("Nexus") (CLEC ID No. 129033), by counsel, hereby gives notice to the Tennessee Regulatory Authority ("TRA") that it intends to discontinue its provision of wireline local exchange services throughout the state of Tennessee on April 16, 2015. The impact of this discontinuance will be minimal because Nexus currently provides service to only 95 subscribers, all of whom have multiple options for alternative service providers.

In support of this filing, Nexus submits the following information.

I. Request to Cancel CLEC/IXC Certificate and Withdraw Tariff

Nexus was granted a Certificate of Convenience and Necessity (“CCN”) to provide competing local exchange and interexchange service in Tennessee on December 5, 2007 in Docket No. 07-00241. Nexus respectfully requests that the Commission cancel its CCN.

Nexus has on file with the TRA its Tariff TRA No. 1 for local exchange services, Tariff No. 2008-0103. Nexus respectfully requests permission to withdraw that tariff.

II. Request to Relinquish ETC Designation

On October 27, 2008, the TRA designated Nexus as a Lifeline-only eligible telecommunications carrier (“ETC”) in the exchange areas served by AT&T Tennessee in Docket No. 08-00119. The rules of the Federal Communications Commission (“FCC”)¹ provide that an ETC in an area served by more than one ETC shall be permitted to relinquish its ETC designation. A number of other ETCs, including AT&T Tennessee, Budget PrePay, Inc., and TracFone Wireless, currently operate in Nexus’s designated service area. Indeed, the Universal Service Administrative Company website lists approximately 35 ETCs currently providing Lifeline-supported services in Tennessee.² Accordingly, Nexus hereby requests that it be permitted to relinquish its ETC designation.³

¹ 47 C.F.R. § 54.205(a).

² See <http://www.lifelinesupport.org/ls/companies/CompanyListing.aspx?state=TN&stateName=Tennessee>

³ USAC has assigned Nexus study area code 299014 for its provision of wireline Lifeline-supported services in Tennessee. Nexus will ask USAC to cancel that study area code.

III. Subscriber Notice

No later than January 12, 2015, Nexus will send written notice by first-class mail to all affected subscribers, notifying them that Nexus will cease providing the prepaid local exchange and prepaid Lifeline local exchange services that they currently receive effective April 16, 2015. Although not specified in the TRA's rules, pursuant to staff advice, Nexus has given subscribers more than 90 days' prior written notice of the discontinuance.

A sample copy of the notice, which also complies with the requirements of the FCC, is appended as Exhibit 1.⁴ The notice clearly underscores that the subscriber must make arrangements with another carrier to avoid loss of service and provides a toll-free telephone number that customers may call to reach Nexus's customer service representatives for assistance with this transition.

Nexus respectfully requests that the Commission permit Nexus to: (i) discontinue its wireline services, (ii) relinquish its CLEC and IXC authority; (iii) withdraw its tariff for local exchange services, and (iv) relinquish its Lifeline-only ETC designation.

An extra copy of this notice is enclosed, as is one copy for stamp and return purposes. Please date-stamp and return in the self-addressed envelope included with this filing.

⁴ Nexus has filed an application with the FCC under 47 C.F.R. § 63.71 to discontinue the domestic interstate services provided as part of these service offerings. A copy of that filing has been served on the Commission. Nexus does not provide international services.

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Should you have any questions, please contact **Jim Tomlinson** (jimtomlinson@dwt.com or 202-973-4253) or Danielle Frappier (daniellefrappier@dwt.com or 202-973-4242).

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Danielle Frappier". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the printed name.

Danielle Frappier
James W. Tomlinson
Counsel to Nexus Communications, Inc.

Exhibit 1
Sample Subscriber Notice



Nexus Communications, Inc.
P.O. Box 247168
Columbus, OH 43224

January 12, 2015

Subscriber Name
Subscriber Address

Dear TSI Home Phone Subscriber:

We regret to inform you that Nexus Communications, Inc. d/b/a TSI ("TSI") will be discontinuing home phone service in your state on April 16, 2015. Your action is required! You must select a new provider if you wish to continue to have home phone service. In order to ensure a smooth transition to your new provider – including keeping your current telephone number – you should find a new provider of home phone service by April 16, 2015.

Find New Provider By: by April 16, 2015

TSI Service Will be Shut Down: by April 16, 2015

Other providers of home phone service in your state include AT&T. Additional providers may be listed in your local telephone book. You will need to contact the other company to set up a new account.

FCC Notice

The FCC will normally authorize this proposed discontinuance of service (or reduction or impairment) unless it is shown that customers would be unable to receive service or a reasonable substitute from another carrier or that the public convenience and necessity is otherwise adversely affected. If you wish to object, you should file your comments as soon as possible, but no later than 15 days after the Commission releases public notice of the proposed discontinuance. Address them to the Federal Communications Commission, Wireline Competition Bureau, Competition Policy Division, Washington, DC 20554, and include in your comments a reference to the § 63.71 Application of Nexus Communications, Inc. d/b/a TSI. Comments should include specific information about the impact of this proposed discontinuance (or reduction or impairment) upon you or your company, including any inability to acquire reasonable substitute service.

TSI regrets any inconvenience these changes may cause you.

Sincerely,

Nexus Communications, Inc. d/b/a TSI Customer Service Department

1-866-392-7123