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Sharla Dillon Docket Room Manager Tennessee Regulatory Authority 460 James Robertson Parkway Nashville, TN 37243-0505

> Re: Data Request No. 1, Docket 08-00205, Joint Petition of Consolidated Communications Operator Services, Inc. and Consolidated Communications Network Services, Inc., to be known as Consolidated Communications Enterprise Services, Inc., for authority to transfer the Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to provide operator services and/or resell telecommunications services

Dear Ms. Dillon:

We are hereby responding to the Tennessee Regulatory Authority's (the "TRA") Data Request No. 1 in Docket 08-00205, which is the Joint Petition of Consolidated Communications Operator Services, Inc. ("CCOS") and Consolidated Communications Network Services, Inc., ("CCNS"), to be known as Consolidated Communications Enterprise Services, Inc. ("CCES"), for authority to transfer the Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to provide operator services and/or resell telecommunications services in Tennessee to CCNS ("Joint Petition").

On behalf of CCOS and CCNS, we respectfully offer the following responses:

Request: Provide a signed verification from the Joint Petitioners indicating that the information contained in the Joint Petition is true and correct to their best knowledge, information and belief.

Response: As requested, a signed verification for the Joint Petition is attached.

2. Request: Given the description of the transaction in the Joint Petition, indicate whether FCC approval is required for any portion of the transaction. If so, have the applicants filed an application or notice with the FCC? If so, list any action taken and the associated docket number. If a schedule to complete the review of the application has been established by the FCC, provide such with your response.

Response: No, FCC approval is not required for this transaction.

3. **Request:** Does CCOS serve pre-subscribed customers in Tennessee?

Response: No, CCOS does not serve pre-subscribed customers in Tennessee.

4. **Request**: If required, provide a copy of the self-certification letter as required by the FCC in CC Docket 00-257 concerning customer transfers.

Response: Not applicable (see response to question 3 above).

5. **Request:** Under what name will CCNS do business in Tennessee?

Response: Effective January 1, 2009, CCNS will change its name to CCES. Pursuant to the recommendation of TRA representative Carlos Black, a notification of name change and check for \$25, pursuant to Rule 1220-4-1.08, is attached. CCES will do business as Consolidated Communications Operator Services.

6. **Request:** Provide a corporate surety bond, irrevocable letter of credit or sufficient documentation to demonstrate compliance with T.C.A. §65-4-125 for CCES. Include any d/b/a name on the corporate surety bond or irrevocable letter of credit.

Response: The surety bond of CCES is being finalized, and will be provided as a supplemental filing when available.

7. **Request:** Provide the Certificate of Authorization from the Tennessee Secretary of State's Office verifying that CCES is authorized to do business in Tennessee.

Response: The Certificate of Authorization from the Tennessee Secretary of State's Office verifying that CCNS is authorized to do business in Tennessee is attached as Exhibit 1. The Certificate of Authorization from the Tennessee Secretary of State's Office verifying that CCES is authorized to be business in Tennessee will be available after the name change from CCNS to CCES is effective on January 1, 2009, and will be provided to the TRA as a supplemental filing when available.

8. **Request:** Provide a Small and Minority Owned Business Plan compliant with T.C.A. §65-5-212.

Response: As described in the Joint Petition, the request to transfer the Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to provide operator services and/or resell telecommunications services in Tennessee from CCOS to CCNS is the result of an internal reorganization which involves no change in ownership or control of operations and will be entirely transparent to customers. Accordingly, CCNS adopts CCOS's existing Small and Minority Owned Business Plan compliant with §T.C.A. 65-5-212.

9. **Request:** Describe your plan to comply with the county-wide calling requirements pursuant to T.C.A. §65-21-114.

Response: As described in the Joint Petition, the request to transfer the Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to provide operator services and/or resell telecommunications services in Tennessee from CCOS to CCNS is the result of an internal reorganization which involves no change in ownership or control of operations and will be entirely transparent to customers. Accordingly, CCNS adopts CCOS's existing plan to comply with county-wide calling requirements pursuant found in T.C.A. §65-21-114, to the extent such requirements apply to providers of operator services and/or resellers of telecommunications services.

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Please contact the undersigned if there are any questions concerning this response.

Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,

Owen E. MacBride

Attachment (original and four copies, plus electronic copy to Sharla.Dillon@state.tn.us): Verification Notification of Name Change

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COUNTY OF MONTGOMERY)	

VERIFICATION

Bill Terry, on oath, deposes and states that he is the Senior Manager – Regulatory of Consolidated Communications Operator Services, Inc. and Consolidated Communications Network Services, Inc., and the information set forth in the "Joint Petition" is true and correct to the best of his knowledge, information, and belief.

Bill Terry

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 2/2 day of November, 2008

Notary Public

VERA McKINLEY

Notary Public

STATE OF TEXAS

My Comm. Exp. 4-11-2009

EXHIBIT 1

Secretary of State Division of Business Services 312 Eighth Avenue North 6th Floor, William R. Snodgrass Tower Nashville, Tennessee 37243

ISSUANCE DATE: 11/07/2008 REQUEST NUMBER: 08312523

CHARTER/QUALIFICATION DATE: 07/12/2007 STATUS: ACTIVE
CORPORATE EXPIRATION DATE: PERPETUAL
CONTROL NUMBER: 0553442
JURISDICTION: DELAWARE

TO: KROLL 1900 HWY 100 REQUESTED BY: KRGLL 1900 HWY 100

NASHVILLE, TN 37203

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I, RILEY C DARNELL, SECRETARY OF STATE OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE DO HEREBY CERTIFY THAT

"CONSOLIDATED COMMUNICATIONS NETWORK SERVICES, INC."

WAS INCORPORATED OR QUALIFIED TO DO BUSINESS IN THE STATE OF TENNESSEE ON THE ABOVE DATE, AND THAT THE ATTACHED DOCUMENT(S) WAS/WERE FILED IN OFFICE ON THE DATE(S) AS BELOW INDICATED:

QUAL-PROFIT

REFERENCE NIMBER 6091-1418

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RILEY C. DARNELL SECRETARY OF STATE



APPLICATION FOR CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORITY (FOR PROFIT)

STATE OF TENNESSEE

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Corporate Filings
312 Eighth Average North
6th Floor, William R. Snodgrass Tower
Nashville, 1N 37243 Pursuant to the provisions of Section 48-25-103 of the Tennessee Business Corporation Adi; the undersigned corporation hereby applies for a certificate of authority to transact business in the State of Tennessee, and to transact business in the State of Tennessee, and to transact business in the State of Tennessee.

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The name of the corporation is Consolidated Commun If different, the name under which the certificate of aut		
[NOTES: The Secretary of State of the State of Tennessee name does not comply with the requirements of Section 48- of authority under a different corporate name, an applicatic Section 48-14-101(d) with an additional \$20.00 fee.]	may not issue a certificate of a -14-101 of the Tennessee Busin	ess Corporation Act. "If obtaining a certificate
2. The state or country under whose law it is incorporat	ed is Delaware	
The date of its incorporation is 08-05-2002 if other than perpetual, is perpetual		, day, and year), and the period of duration,
The complete street address (including zip code) of including zip code) of including zip code. 121 South 17th Street Mattoon Minole/Coles 61938	ts principal office is	
Street City	State/County	Zip Code
The complete street address (including the county and registered agent is 1900 Church Street Suite 400 Nashville TN	37203	
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The names and complete business addresses (including see attached.)	ing zip code) of its current office	ers are: (Attach separate sheet if necessary.)
7. The names and complete business addresses (includencessary.) See attached 8. If the corporation commenced doing business in Tennes (month, day and year) 07-01-2007		
9. The corporation is a corporation for profit.		
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Director of Tax Signer's Capacity	Signature Circle	<u> </u>
Signed & Capacity	Janice L. Hester	
SS-4431 (Rev. 4/01) Filing Fee: \$600	Name (typed or printed)	RDA 1678

Consolidated Communications Network Services, Inc. 121 South 17th Street. Mattoon, IL 61938 Incorporated 08-05-2002

DIRECTORS	BUSINESS ADDRESS	
Robert J. Currey	121 S. 17th Street Mattoon, iL 61938	
Richard A. Lumpkin	121 S. 17th Street Mattoon, IL 61938	

OFFICERS	TITLE	DATE OF BIRTH	BUSINESS ADDRESS
Richard A. Lumpida 059-32-0695	Chairman	02-16-1935	121 S. 17 th Street Mattoon, IL 61938
Robert J. Currey 384-44-6415	President, CEO And Director	67-01-1945	121 S 17 th Street Mattoon, IL 61938
Steven L. Childers 315-68-8212	Chief Financial Officer	06-07-1955	121 S. 17th Street Mattoon, IL. 61938
David J. Doedtman 324-54-7349	Treasurer & Secretary	11-05-1968	121 S. 17th Street Mattoon, IL 61938
Janice L. Hester 346-58-2378	Director of Tax	03-02-1964	121 S. 17th Street Mattoon, fl. 61938
David C. Roplequet 358-40-3674	Assistant Treasurer	81-27-1948	121 S. 17th Street Mattoon, IL 61938
Steven J. Shirar 320-48-9158	Senior VP and President Of Enterprise Operations	10-15-1958	121 S. 17th Street Mattoon, IL 61938
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C. Robert Udell, Jr. 022-62- 0585	Senior VP and President of TX Telephone Operations	12-29-1965	121 S 17th Street Matteon, FL 61938
Christopher A. Young 336-50-6276	Chief Information Officer	08-31-1955	121 S 17th Street Mattoon, IL 61938
Brian L. Carr 334-54-1368	Vice President	96-98-1958	121 S 17th Street Mattoon, IL 61938
Mickael W. Smith 319-78-8585	Vice President	06-03-1965	121 617th Street (2) Mar(Ma, IL 20938 >

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I, HARRIET SMITH WINDSOR, SECRETARY OF STATE OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE, DO HEREBY CERTIFY "CONSOLIDATED COMMUNICATIONS NETWORK SERVICES, INC." IS DULY INCORPORATED UNDER THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE AND IS IN GOOD STANDING AND HAS A LEGAL CORPORATE EXISTENCE SO FAR AS THE RECORDS OF THIS OFFICE SHOW, AS OF THE THIRD DAY OF JULY, A.D. 2007.

STATE OF TENNESSEE

MILEY DARNELL

SECRETARY OF STATE

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November 21, 2008

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Re: Name Change Notification of Consolidated Communications Network Services, Inc., to be known as Consolidated Communications Enterprise Services, Inc.

Dear Ms. Dillon:

We are hereby notifying the Tennessee Regulatory Authority's (the "TRA") of the upcoming name change of Consolidated Communications Network Services, Inc. ("CCNS"). Effective January 1, 2009, CCNS will change its name to Consolidated Communications Enterprise Services, Inc. ("CCES"). As required by Rule 120-4-1-.08, CCNS is making this notification 30 days in advance of the proposed name change, and will file a revised cover sheet upon approval.

The Certificate of Authorization from the Tennessee Secretary of State's Office verifying that CCES is authorized to be business in Tennessee will be available after the name change from CCNS to CCES is effective on January 1, 2009, and will be provided to the TRA as a supplemental filing when available.

CCNS respectfully requests the TRA take any necessary actions associated with this name change no later than December 31, 2008. As required by Rule 120-4-1-.08, a check for \$25 is attached.

Please contact the undersigned if there are any questions concerning this response.

Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,

Owen E. MacBride

Attachment (original and fourteen copies): \$25 Check