

# TENNESSEE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

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<b>IN RE:</b>	)	
<b>APPLICATION OF TDS TELECOM SERVICE CORPORATION</b>	)	<b>DOCKET NO.</b>
<b>ON BEHALF OF ITS WHOLLY OWNED SUBSIDIARIES,</b>	)	<b>11-00125</b>
<b>CONCORD TELEPHONE EXCHANGE, INC. AND TENNESSEE</b>	)	
<b>TELEPHONE COMPANY, FOR RENEWAL OF STATE-ISSUED</b>	)	
<b>CERTIFICATE OF FRANCHISE AUTHORITY</b>	)	

## CERTIFICATE OF FRANCHISE AUTHORITY

On August 17, 2011, pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 7-59-301, *et seq.*, also known as the Competitive Cable and Video Services Act ("CCVSA"), a state-issued certificate of franchise authority was issued to TDS Telecom Service Corporation ("TDS") by the Tennessee Public Utility Commission ("Commission").

On August 25, 2021, pursuant to the CCVSA, § 7-59-305(b)(1)(f), TDS filed an application to re-apply for a state-issued certificate of franchise authority. Pursuant to the CCVSA, issuance of this State-Issued Certificate of Franchise Authority hereby conveys:

1. A nonexclusive grant of authority to provide cable or video service in the areas set forth in the application;<sup>1</sup>
2. A nonexclusive grant of authority to construct, maintain and operate facilities through, along, upon, over and under any public rights-of-way, subject to the laws of the state of Tennessee, including the lawful exercise of police powers of the municipalities and counties in which such service is delivered;
3. Notwithstanding the provisions of paragraphs 1 & 2 above, this grant of authority is subject to lawful operation of the cable and video service by the Applicant or its successor in interest; and,
4. Notwithstanding the provisions of paragraphs 1 & 2 above, this grant of authority does not confer upon the holder of the state-issued certificate of franchise authority the right to place facilities on private property without the owner's consent to such placement, except that nothing herein shall alter the condemnation authority provided pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 65-21-204 for internal improvements or as provided in title 29, chapter 16 of the Tennessee Code.

**BE IT HEREBY AMENDED.**

**Earl R. Taylor**  
**Executive Director**

<sup>1</sup> According to its application, TDS's service area will be areas covered by the original Certificate as well as Amendments.