## BEFORE THE TENNESSEE REGULATORY AUTHORITY

## NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE

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June 21, 2012	
IN RE:	)
APPLICATION OF TELMATE, LLC FOR A CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORITY TO PROVIDE OPERATOR SERVICES AND/OR RESELL TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES IN TENNESSEE	) DOCKET NO. ) 11-00181 )
IN RE:	)
PETITION OF TELMATE, LLC FOR AUTHORITY TO PROVIDE COCOT SERVICES IN TENNESSEE	) DOCKET NO. ) 11-00182

## ORDER CONSOLIDATING DOCKETS AND APPOINTING A HEARING OFFICER

This matter came before the Tennessee Regulatory Authority (the "Authority") at a regularly scheduled Authority Conference held on June 7, 2012, for consideration of the Application of Telmate, LLC for Certificate of Authority to Provide Operator Services and/or Resell Telecommunications Services in Tennessee ("Application") filed on October 28, 2011. On April 19, 2012, Pay-Tel Communications Inc. ("Pay-Tel") filed a Petition to Intervene in this matter.

Telmate also has an Application to provide customer-owned coin-operated telephone ("COCOT") services in Tennessee filed on October 28, 2011 in Docket No. 11-00182. During the June 7, 2012 Authority Conference, the panel reconsidered its action taken on May 21, 2012 in Docket No. 11-00181 and voted unanimously to consolidate Docket No. 11-00181 and Docket No. 11-00182 because both dockets have interrelated issues and should be heard together to promote efficiency. Additionally, the panel voted to appoint the Authority's General Counsel or her

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> At the Authority Conference held on May 7, 2012, the panel voted unanimously to appoint General Counsel or her designee as Hearing Officer in Docket No. 11-00181 to determine whether a contested case proceeding should be convened and if one commences, to handle all preliminary matters and prepare the docket for a hearing before the panel.

designee to act as the Hearing Officer for the purpose of considering whether to convene a contested case in the consolidated docket and if a contested case proceeding is convened, the Hearing Officer is authorized to rule on any preliminary matters and to prepare the matter for hearing before the panel.

## IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:

- 1. Docket No. 11-00181 is hereby consolidated with Docket No. 11-00182.
- 2. The Authority's General Counsel or her designee is appointed Hearing Officer in this matter for the purpose of considering whether to convene a contested case in the consolidated docket and if a contested case is convened, the Hearing Officer is authorized to rule on any preliminary matters and to prepare the matter for hearing before the panel.

Kenneth C. Hill, Chairman

Sara Kyle, Director

Mary W. Freeman, Director