



## TENNESSEE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

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September 12, 2018

To: Sharla Dillon, Docket Room Manager

From: Jerry Kettles, Director, Economic Analysis JK

RE: Docket Number 18-00095: Proposed Transaction Between United Communications Holdings, LLC and MTE Holdings, LLC

The agency received a letter on August 18, 2018 that was assigned to TPUC Docket Number 18-00095. The letter describes a transaction whereby control of the certificated entities, United Telephone Company ("UTC"), United Communications, Inc. ("UCI"), and UTC Long Distance, LLC ("ULD"), is transferred to MTE Holdings, LLC. UTC, UCI and ULD have elected market regulation. The transaction, as described, is governed by T.C.A. 65-4-113 which is not a regulatory requirement that applies to companies that have elected Market Regulation. As such, the transfer of control described in the correspondence dated August 31, 2018 does not require approval.<sup>1</sup> As no action is required by the agency, please close the above referenced docket.

C: Docket No: 11-00208

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<sup>1</sup> In Docket No. 11-00208, UTC and UCI (f/k/a UTC Video Concepts, LLC) received a state-issued Certificate of Franchise Authority. The letter indicates that UTC and UCI will remain the holder of the certificate after the closing of the transaction. Tenn. Code. Ann. §7-59-304(a)(5) describes the requirements to transfer a state-issued Certificate of Franchise Authority. Based upon the description of the transaction and representations in the August 18, 2018 letter, it does not appear that a transfer, as described in Tenn. Code. Ann. §7-59-304(a)(5), occurs as a result of the transaction.