BEFORE THE TENNESSEE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE

October 4, 2023

IN RE:)	DOCKET NO.
)	20-00138
APPLICATION OF CATHECT COMMUNICATIONS,)	
INC FOR CERTIFICATE TO PROVIDE)	Company ID:
COMPETING TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES)	129236
IN TENNESSEE)	

ORDER GRANTING CANCELLATION OF AUTHORITY TO PROVIDE TELECOMMUNICATION SERVICES

This matter came before Vice Chairman David F. Jones, Commissioner Robin L. Morrison, Commissioner Clay R. Good, Commissioner Kenneth C. Hill and Commissioner John Hie of the Tennessee Public Utility Commission (the "Commission"), the voting panel assigned to this docket, during a regularly scheduled Commission Conference held on September 11, 2023. An Application for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity ("CCN") to provide competing facilities-based local exchange and interexchange telecommunications services in Tennessee was filed by Cathect Communications, Inc. ("Cathect" or "Company") on October 19, 2021. On August 4, 2023, the Commission received a request from the Company to cancel its CCN, stating that it has ceased all operations in Tennessee. On August 24, 2023, staff received information from BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. indicating that no resold or facilities-based services were being provided to Cathect Communications, Inc. Based upon careful consideration of the entire record in this matter, the Commissioners voted unanimously to grant the Company's request to cancel its CCN.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Vice Chairman David F. Jones, Commissioner Robin L. Morrison, Commissioner Clay R. Good, Commissioner Kenneth C. Hill and Commissioner John Hie concur.

ATTEST:

Earl R. Taylor, Executive Director

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¹ Cathect Communications, Inc. was granted authority to provide operator services and/or resell telecommunications services in Tennessee on December 6, 2021, in Docket No. 20-00138.