IN THE TENNESSEE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION AT NASHVILLE TENNESSEE February 27, 2025

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| COMPLAINT AND PETITION AGAINST |) | |
| GODADDY.COM, LLC FOR ALLEGED |) | |
| VIOLATIONS OF THE STATUTES AND |) | DOCKET NO. 24-00057 |
| RULES REGULATING SMALL AND |) | |
| MINORITY-OWNED |) | |
| TELECOMMUNICATIONS BUSINESS |) | |
| PARTICIPATION PLANS | ĺ | |

REQUEST TO WITHDRAW COMPLAINT AND PETITION TO CONVENE A SHOW CAUSE PROCEEDING

Comes now the Tennessee Public Utility Commission ("TPUC" or "Commission") Staff as a party ("Party Staff" or "Petitioner"), by and through the undersigned counsel, and requests that the Administrative Judge permit Party Staff to withdraw its *Complaint and Petition to Convene a Show Cause Proceeding* ("Petition") and close the docket in this matter concerning GoDaddy.com, LLC ("GoDaddy" or "Company"). As grounds for this request, Party Staff would state as follows:

Subsequent to the filing of the *Petition*, Counsel for GoDaddy contacted Party Staff concerning the Company's small and minority-owned telecommunications business plan ("SMBP Plan"). The Company formulated a new SMBP Plan and submitted contact information for the designated SMBP Plan administrator. The new SMBP Plan was submitted for review on February 19, 2025. Commission Staff reviewed and approved the SMBP Plan and advised the Company that the new plan would also be considered the Company's 2025 annual update due to the close proximity in date to the 2025 annual update deadline. A copy of the SMBP Plan is attached as Exhibit 1. Party Staff asserts that this document complies with the annual filing requirement

concerning the SMBP Plan as required by Tenn. Code Ann. § 65-5-112 and that GoDaddy is in compliance with statutory requirements concerning SMBP Plan filings.

For the foregoing reasons, Party Staff respectfully requests that the Administrative Judge issue an Order granting the withdrawal of its *Petition* and closing this docket.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the foregoing was served via electronic mail upon GoDaddy.com via its counsel, Jeffrey M. Monhait, Esq. (jmonhait@cozen.com), on this the 27th day of February, 2025.

Aaron J. Conklin, TPUC Senior Counsel

EXHIBIT 1

SMALL AND MINORITY-OWNED TELECOMMUNICATIONS BUSINESS PARTICIPATION PLAN

Pursuant to T.C.A. § 65-5-112, as amended, GoDaddy.com LLC ("GoDaddy.com") submits this update to its Small and Minority-Owned Telecommunications Business Participation Plan (the "Plan").

I. Purpose

The purposes of T.C.A. § 65-5-112 is to provide opportunities for small and minority- owned businesses to provide goods and services to telecommunications service providers. GoDaddy.com is committed to the goals of T.C.A. § 65-5-112, and to taking steps to support the participation of small and minority-owned telecommunications businesses in the telecommunications industry. GoDaddy.com will endeavor to provide opportunities for small and minority-owned telecommunications businesses to transact business with the company, and will make efforts to identify and inform qualified minority-owned and small businesses of opportunities for providing goods and services to GoDaddy.com. GoDaddy.com will seek to increase awareness of such opportunities so that companies not otherwise qualified will have sufficient information and opportunity to participate in the procurement process.

II. Definitions

As defined in T.C.A. § 65-5-112:

- Minority-Owned Business Minority-owned business shall mean a business that: (1) is solely-owned; or (2) has (a) at least fifty-one percent (51%) of its assets or outstanding stock owned by an individual who (i) personally manages and controls daily operations of such business, and (ii) who is impeded from normal entry into the economic mainstream because of race, religion, sex, or national origin, and (b) has annual gross receipts of less than four million dollars (\$4,000,000).
- Small Business Small business shall mean a business with annual gross receipts of less than four million dollars (\$4,000,000).

III. Administration

GoDaddy.com's Plan will be overseen and administered by the individual named below (hereinafter referred to as the "Administrator") who will be responsible for carrying out and promoting GoDaddy.com's full efforts to provide equal opportunities for small and minority-owned businesses. The Administrator of the plan will be designated by the signatory below and updated as necessary.

The Administrator's responsibilities will include:

- Maintaining an updated Plan in full compliance with T.C.A. § 65-5-112, and the rules and orders of the Tennessee Regulatory Authority ("TRA");
- Preparing and submitting such forms and reports as may be required by the TRA;
- Authority, including the filing of required annual updates;
- Serving as the primary liaison to and cooperate with the TRA, other agencies of the State of Tennessee, and small and minority-owned businesses to locate and use qualified small and minority-owned businesses as defined in T.C.A. § 65-5- 112.

- Promoting opportunities to use small and minority-owned businesses and encouraging such businesses to participate in and bid on contracts and subcontracts.
- Providing records and reports and cooperating in any authorized surveys as required by the TRA.
- Monitoring the provision of information and educational activities to persons within GoDaddy.com and training such persons to seek out, encourage, and promote the use of small and minority-owned businesses.

Additional efforts to provide opportunities to small and minority-owned businesses will include offering, where appropriate and feasible, small and minority-owned businesses assistance with technical, insurance, bonding, licensing, production, and deadline requirements.

IV. RECORDS AND COMPLIANCE REPORTS

GoDaddy.com will maintain records of qualified small and minority-owned business and efforts to use the goods and services of such businesses. In addition, GoDaddy.com will maintain records of educational and training activities conducted or attended and of the internal procedures adopted to support this plan.

GoDaddy.com will submit records and reports required by the TRA concerning the Plan. Moreover, GoDaddy.com will cooperate fully with any surveys and studies required by the TRA.

GoDaddy.com, LLC

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Signed by:

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Vice President and Deputy General Counsel

Dated: February 19, 2025