

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF)
COMCAST BUSINESS COMMUNICATIONS, LLC)
D/B/A COMCAST LONG DISTANCE, FOR)
AUTHORITY TO ABANDON COMPETITIVE) PSC DOCKET NO. 09-400
INTRASTATE TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES)
WITHIN THE STATE OF DELAWARE)
(FILED SEPTEMBER 8, 2009))

ORDER NO. 7656

AND NOW, to-wit, this 22nd day of September, 2009, the Commission determines and Orders the following;

WHEREAS, on September 8, 2009, Comcast Business Communications, LLC d/b/a Comcast Long Distance ("CBC"), filed an application seeking authority to abandon service within the State of Delaware; and

WHEREAS, CBC was granted a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity ("CPCN") pursuant to Rule 7 of the PSC "Rules for the Provision of Telecommunications Services," to provide competitive intrastate telecommunications services by PSC Order No. 4443 (March 18, 1997) in PSC Docket No. 96-271 under the name of GlobalCom Telecommunications, Inc. ("GlobalCom"). Through a series of name changes, the GlobalCom name was changed to CBC; and

WHEREAS, 26 Del. C. § 203A(c)(1) provides that no public utility shall abandon or discontinue, in whole or in part, any business, operations, or services provided under a CPCN or otherwise, which are subject to jurisdiction of the Commission without first having received Commission approval for such abandonment or discontinuance; and

WHEREAS, CBC filed with the Commission a verified application seeking the entry of an Order of the Commission canceling and terminating its CPCN; and

WHEREAS, CBC has asserted that it has no customers in Delaware and no outstanding liabilities to any Delaware customers in the form of deposits nor prepayments for any of its services; and

WHEREAS, the Commission has determined that applications to terminate CPCNs granted to provide competitive intrastate telecommunications services should be routinely approved upon the filing of a verified application and that, in a competitive market, such abandonment or discontinuance is presumptively reasonable, necessary, and not unduly disruptive to the present or future public convenience and necessity; now, therefore,

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED BY THE AFFIRMATIVE VOTE OF NOT FEWER THAN THREE COMMISSIONERS:

1. That, upon the express condition that the representations in the verified application of Comcast Business Communications, LLC, d/b/a Comcast Long Distance, are true and correct, said application to abandon the provision of competitive intrastate telecommunications services as a public utility filed by Comcast Business Communications, LLC d/b/a Comcast Long Distance, is hereby granted and approved effective with the date of this Order.

2. That the Commission reserves the jurisdiction and authority to enter such further Orders in this matter as may be deemed necessary or proper.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

/s/ Arnetta McRae
Chair

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/s/ Jaymes B. Lester
Commissioner

/s/ Joann T. Conaway
Commissioner

/s/ Dallas Winslow
Commissioner

/s/ Jeffrey J. Clark
Commissioner

ATTEST:

/s/ Katie Rochester
Acting Secretary