

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE**

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF)
UNITED SYSTEMS ACCESS TELECOM, INC.)
FOR AUTHORITY TO ABANDON BOTH)
COMPETITIVE INTRASTATE AND LOCAL) PSC DOCKET NO. 10-232
EXCHANGE TELECOMMUNICATIONS)
SERVICES WITHIN THE STATE OF)
DELAWARE (FILED JUNE 29, 2010))

ORDER NO. 7855

AND NOW, this 19th day of October, 2010:

WHEREAS, United Systems Access Telecom, Inc. ("USAT") was granted a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity (a "CPCN"), pursuant to Rule 7 of the Commission's "Rules for the Provision of Telecommunications Services," to provide competitive intrastate and local exchange telecommunications services by PSC Order No. 5948 (May 7, 2002) in PSC Docket No. 01-425, and

WHEREAS, On August 2, 2004, ComTech21, LLC ("ComTech21") and USAT filed a joint application for approval of ComTech21's acquisition of USAT's retail, long-distance customers, which included eight-eight (88) customers located in Delaware.

WHEREAS, On June 29, 2010, USAT, filed an application seeking authority to abandon both competitive intrastate and local exchange telecommunications services within the State of Delaware (the "Application"); and

WHEREAS, In addition to its Application, USAT also filed an Exit Plan for Local Exchange Services ("Exit Plan"). Under its Exit Plan, USAT proposes to discontinue local telephone service as of September 30, 2010. According to USAT, USAT had approximately twenty-nine (29) local customers in Delaware as of June 29 2010. USAT reports that, on July 1,

2010, it sent discontinuance letters to its customers, indicating that the service will be discontinued as of September 30, 2010;

WHEREAS, USAT has reported that, since sending the above notice, all twenty-nine customers have migrated to other carriers and that it is not, therefore, currently providing local telephone services to customers in Delaware.

WHEREAS, 26 Del. C. §203A(c)(1) prohibits regulated public utilities from abandoning or discontinuing their business, operations, or services provided under a CPCN without first receiving Commission approval; and

WHEREAS, by the Application, USAT seeks approval of its abandonment under section 203A (c)(1) and an order of the Commission canceling and terminating its CPCN; and

WHEREAS, in support of its Application, USAT notes that it has no competitive intrastate and local exchange 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 and local exchange 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, 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 United Systems Access Telecom, Inc. are true and correct, said application to abandon the provision of competitive intrastate and local telecommunications services as a public utility filed by United Systems Access Telecom, Inc. is hereby granted and approved effective with the date of this Order.

2. That the Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity granted to United Systems Access Telecom, Inc. (Order No. 5948 (May 7, 2002) PSC Docket No. 01-425) is hereby revoked.

3. 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

/s/ Joann T. Conaway
Commissioner

/s/ Jaymes B. Lester
Commissioner

/s/ Jeffrey J. Clark
Commissioner

Commissioner

ATTEST:

/s/ Alisa Carrow Bentley
Secretary