

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF)
SNIP LINK, LLC FOR AUTHORITY TO)
ABANDON BOTH COMPETITIVE INTRASTATE) PSC DOCKET NO. 11-1
AND LOCAL TELECOMMUNICATIONS)
SERVICES WITHIN THE STATE OF DELAWARE)
(FILED JANUARY 3, 2011))

ORDER NO. 7892

AND NOW, to-wit, this 11th day of January, 2011;

WHEREAS, on January 3, 2011, SNiP Link, LLC ("SNiP"), filed an application seeking authority to abandon both competitive intrastate and local telecommunications services within the State of Delaware (the "Application"); and

WHEREAS, SNiP was granted a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity (a "CPCN"), pursuant to Rule 7 of the PSC "Rules for the Provision of Telecommunications Services," to provide competitive intrastate and local telecommunications services by PSC Findings and Order No. 5211 (September 14, 1999) in PSC Docket No. 98-510; and

WHEREAS, on February 4, 2010, in PSC Docket No. 10-49, NetCarrier Telecom, Inc. ("NetCarrier") and SNiP filed a joint application for authority to transfer assets, pursuant to an Asset Purchase Agreement dated February 1, 2010, in which NetCarrier purchased certain assets, including switching and other telecommunications equipment, customers, customer contracts, deposits and associated customer account information from SNiP, including approximately 9 local and local/long distance bundled customers and 34 presubscribed long distance only customers in Delaware; and

WHEREAS, on March 31, 2010, the Commission received a Notice of Consummation stating that PSC Docket No. 10-49 had been completed;

WHEREAS, in PSC Docket No. 10-239T, NetCarrier filed revisions to its tariff to incorporate SNIp's services; and

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 having received Commission approval; and

WHEREAS, by the Application, SNIp 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, SNIp 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 or 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 SNIp Link, LLC are true and correct, said application to abandon the provision of competitive intrastate and local

exchange telecommunications services as a public utility filed by SNiP Link, LLC is hereby granted and approved effective with the date of this Order.

2. That the Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity granted to SNiP Link, LLC (Order No. 5211, September 14, 1999, PSC Docket No. 98-510) 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/ Dallas Winslow
Commissioner

/s/ Jeffrey J. Clark
Commissioner

ATTEST:

/s/ Alisa Carrow Bentley
Secretary