BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF COMPUPHONE TELECOMMUNICATIONS, INC. FOR AUTHORITY TO ABANDON INTEREXCHANGE INTRASTATE PAYPHONE SERVICES WITHIN THE STATE OF DELAWARE (FILED August 22, 2012)

ORDER NO. 8212

AND NOW, to-wit, this 5th day of September 2012;

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Delaware Code, 26 Del. C. §§203A and 703(3), and the Regulations Governing Payphone Service Providers in Delaware, 26 Del. Admin. C. §4002, the Delaware Public Service Commission ("Commission") granted Compuphone Telecommunications, Inc. ("Compuphone") a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity ("CPCN") to provide interexchange intrastate payphone services on February 20, 1998; and

WHEREAS, on April 26, 2010, Compuphone sent the Commission its annual assessment and stated the company ceased doing business on April 26, 2010; and

WHEREAS, on August 6, 2012, the Commission Staff requested by letter that an official of National complete a verified Affidavit of General Compliance to confirm that Compuphone was requesting Commission approval of abandonment of its CPCN to provide payphone services in the State of Delaware; and

WHEREAS, on August 22, 2012, Compuphone filed such Affidavit of General Compliance with the Commission; and

WHEREAS, 26 Del. C. §203A(c)(1) provides that no public utility shall abandon or discontinue, in whole or in part, any
regulated public utility 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, by Compuphone’s annual assessment request, in conjunction with the verified the Affidavit of General Compliance filed with the Commission (together the “Application”), Compuphone now seeks the entry of an Order from the Commission canceling and terminating its CPCN; and

WHEREAS, Compuphone has asserted that it does not provide any payphone services in Delaware; and

WHEREAS, the Commission has determined that it should routinely approve applications to terminate CPCNs which were granted to provide interexchange intrastate payphone services so long as the applicant files 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;

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

1. That, upon express condition that the representations in the letter request and verified Affidavit of General Compliance (the “Application”) of Compuphone Telecommunications, Inc. are true and correct, said Application filed by Compuphone Telecommunications, Inc. to abandon the provision of interexchange intrastate payphone services as a public utility 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/ Dallas Winlsow
Chair

/s/ Joann T. Conaway
Commissioner

/s/ Jaymes B. Lester
Commissioner

/s/ Jeffrey J. Clark
Commissioner

ATTEST:

/s/ Alisa Carrow Bentley
Secretary