BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF
1 800 COLLECT, INC. D/B/A SIMPLE BILLING SOLUTIONS FOR A CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY TO PROVIDE COMPETITIVE INTRASTATE INTEREXCHANGE TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES WITHIN THE STATE OF DELAWARE (FILED DECEMBER 18, 2012 AND AMENDED JULY 3, 2013)

ORDER NO. 8453

AND NOW, this 10th day of August 2013, the Commission determines and orders the following:

WHEREAS, on December 18, 2012, 1 800 Collect, Inc. d/b/a Simple Billing Solutions ("1 800 Collect") filed an application (the "Application") with the Delaware Public Service Commission (the "Commission"), as amended July 3, 2013, seeking a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity ("CPCN") to provide competitive intrastate interexchange telecommunications services within the State of Delaware.

WHEREAS, the Commission has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to the Telecommunications Regulatory Authorization Act of 1992, 26 Del. C. §701 – 703 (the "Act"), 26 Del. C. §§102(2) and 203A(a)(1), and The Rules For The Provision of Telecommunications Services (Dockets 10 and 45), 26 Del. Admin. C. §4001 (the "Rules"); and

WHEREAS, public notice of the Application, including a period for filing objections, was published in The News Journal and the Delaware State News newspapers on May 30, 2013 and June 5, 2013, respectively. The Commission Staff (the "Staff") received no comments or objections to the Application.
WHEREAS, pursuant to express provisions of the Rules, 1 800 Collect included the following with the Application: (i) financial reports for the fiscal period ended May 31, 2012 and January 31, 2011 to demonstrate its financial capability; (ii) background information of its principal officers and employees to demonstrate its technical and managerial capabilities; (iii) confirmation that it is authorized to provide telecommunications services in more than thirty states; and (iv) an illustrative tariff setting forth the terms and conditions of its proposed services. 1 800 Collect also confirmed that it intends to comply with the Commission’s Rules and Regulations on an ongoing basis.

WHEREAS, Staff reviewed the Application as amended to ensure compliance with the Rules and found no errors or omissions. Accordingly, Staff recommends that the Commission approve the Application as amended and grant 1 800 Collect a CPCN to provide competitive intrastate interexchange telecommunications services.

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

1. Pursuant to the Act and 26 Del. C. §§ 203A, the Application is approved and the Commission grants 1 800 Collect a CPCN to provide competitive intrastate interexchange telecommunications services as described in the Application.

2. 1 800 Collect shall timely file all required returns and pay all assessments and fees as may be required by the provisions of 26 Del. C. §§114 and 115.

3. The provisions of 26 Del. C. § 208(b) are waived and 1 800 Collect is authorized to maintain its books and records relating to its Delaware operations outside of the State of Delaware; provided however, and upon the condition that, 1 800 Collect shall provide to the Commission at its Dover, Delaware office, in a timely manner and
upon the written request of the Commission’s Executive Director, all such books and records relating to 1 800 Collect’s Delaware operations as the Commission may deem reasonably necessary from time to time for review and copying. If the Commission must review the Delaware-related books and records of 1 800 Collect at a location other than at the Commission’s Dover, Delaware office, 1 800 Collect shall pay for the expenses of such review.

4. 1 800 Collect shall comply with all state and federal statutes and rules relating to a customer’s selection of a preferred carrier of telecommunications services. 1 800 Collect agrees to pay all fees, assessments, penalties, and allowed damages arising from a violation of such state and federal statutes or rules pertaining to the selection of a preferred carrier.

5. 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 Winslow
Chair

/s/ Joann T. Conaway
Commissioner

/s/ Jaymes B. Lester
Commissioner

/s/ Jeffrey J. Clark
Commissioner
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ATTEST:

/s/ Alisa Carrow Bentley
Secretary