BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF
VODAFONE GLOBAL ENTERPRISE INC. FOR
AUTHORITY TO PROVIDE INTRASTATE LONG DISTANCE TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES
WITHIN THE STATE OF DELAWARE
FILED OCTOBER 7, 2013

PSC DOCKET NO. 13-388

ORDER NO. 8531

AND NOW, this 20th day of February, 2014, the Delaware Public Service Commission ("Commission") determines and orders the following:

WHEREAS, on October 7, 2013, Vodafone Global Enterprise Inc. ("Vodafone") filed an application ("Application") with the Commission for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity ("CPCN") to provide resold intrastate long distance telecommunications services within the State of Delaware; and

WHEREAS, a copy of the Application was provided to the Division of the Public Advocate; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to 26 Del. Admin. C. §§4001-4.3, Vodafone provided to Staff affidavits of publication dated November 12, 2013, showing that Vodafone has published a public notice of the Application, including a period for filing objections, in The News Journal and the Delaware State News newspapers on November 12, 2013; and

WHEREAS, Staff did not receive any comments or objections to the Application; and

WHEREAS, as part of the Application and as required by 26 Del. Admin. C. §§4001-4.2 and 4.4, Vodafone submitted its Certificate of
Incorporation, a certificate of good standing from the Secretary of State of the State of Delaware dated September 5, 2013; and

WHEREAS, Staff reports that Vodafone, a Delaware corporation that is legally authorized and qualified to do business in the State of Delaware, has provided a Letter of Credit in the amount of $10,000.00 from a Delaware surety, has provided an initial tariff, and has demonstrated that it has the financial, operational, and technical ability to render services within the State of Delaware as required by 26 Del. C. §203A and 26 Del. Admin. C. §§4001-4.2 - 4.5, 4.6.1, 4.8.1, and 4.9 for a CPCN; and

WHEREAS, Staff also reports that the proposed tariff for its telecommunications services to be provided in the State of Delaware meets the requirements of 26 Del. Admin. C. §§4001-4.5 and 4.8; and

WHEREAS, Staff also reports that the Application satisfies the minimum requirements of 26 Del. Admin. C. §4001; and

WHEREAS, Vodafone respectfully requested, as part of its Application, that the Commission waive the requirement set forth in 26 Del. C. §208(b) so that Vodafone may maintain in an office outside the State of Delaware its books, accounts, papers, records, and memoranda which relate to its Delaware operations;

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

1. Pursuant to 26 Del. C. §§ 203A and 703(4) and 26 Del. Admin. C. §4001, the Commission hereby grants to Vodafone a CPCN to operate as a public utility and provide intrastate telecommunications services as described in the Application and the tariff Vodafone has
2. Vodafone shall provide intrastate telecommunications services in the manner required under Delaware law and the Commission’s “Rules for the Provision of Telecommunications Services” (26 Del. Admin. C. §4001) and shall comply at all times with all applicable provisions of Delaware law, regulations, rules, orders, and all other applicable laws. Vodafone shall also file 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 hereby waived, and Vodafone is authorized to maintain outside the State of Delaware its books, accounts, papers, records, and memoranda that are related to its Delaware operations; provided, however, and upon the condition that, Vodafone 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, accounts, papers, records, and memoranda relating to Vodafone’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, accounts, papers, records, and/or memoranda of Vodafone at a location other than at the Commission’s Dover, Delaware office, Vodafone shall pay for the expenses of such review.

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

5. A violation of this Order, any provision of Delaware law, the Commission’s Rules and Regulations, or other applicable law, rule, regulation, or order may result in suspension or revocation of the CPCN.

6. Vodafone is hereby placed on notice that the costs of the proceedings will be charged to it under the provisions of 26 Del. C. §114(b)(1).

7. 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