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## **COMMENTS INVITED ON APPLICATION OF XO COMMUNICATIONS, LLC TO DISCONTINUE DOMESTIC TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES**

**WC Docket No. 11-156**  
**Comp. Pol. File No. 1012**

**Comments Due: October 17, 2011**

### **Section 214 Application**

**Applicant: XO Communications, LLC**

On **September 20, 2011**, **XO Communications, LLC** (XO or Applicant), located at **13865 Sunrise Valley Drive, Herndon, Virginia 20171-4661**, filed an application with the Federal Communications Commission (FCC or Commission) requesting authority, under section 214 of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, 47 U.S.C. § 214, and section 63.71 of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. § 63.71, to discontinue the provision of a certain domestic telecommunications service in 23 states and the District of Columbia.<sup>1</sup>

XO indicates that it currently offers post paid Calling Card service in Arizona, California, Colorado, the District of Columbia, Florida, Georgia, Idaho, Illinois, Massachusetts, Maryland, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Nevada, New Jersey, New York, Ohio, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Tennessee, Texas, Utah, Virginia and Washington (collectively Service Areas). XO specifies that it offers this service through its operating subsidiaries: XO Communications Services, LLC; XO Virginia, LLC; and XO Telecommunications of Nevada, LLC. XO explains that its post paid Calling Card service enables enterprise customers to access a variety of services including the ability to make long distance and international telephone calls, and to access certain enhanced features such as message storage and broadcast while away from the office by dialing an access number and entering a PIN code. XO indicates that it provides its post paid Calling Card service to a limited number of enterprise customers in the Service Areas and that the service is offered as an adjunct to an enterprise customer's traditional telecommunications services and not as an independent service offering. XO states, however, that it is in the process of streamlining its product offerings and that it also has received notice that its underlying vendor for Calling Card services will no longer be supporting such services as of October 31, 2011. XO submits that it has, therefore, decided to discontinue its post paid Calling Card service effective October 31, 2011, subject to Commission authorization.<sup>2</sup> XO maintains that the proposed discontinuance will not result in harm to affected customers because its post paid Calling Card service is infrequently used, affected customers can

<sup>1</sup> XO's application was subsequently received in the Competition Policy Division of the Wireline Competition Bureau on September 23, 2011.

<sup>2</sup> Discontinuance of international service is governed by 47 C.F.R. § 63.19.

easily obtain alternatives including service from other providers and cellular telephones, and because existing customers will retain all of their traditional telecommunications services. XO indicates that, on September 20, 2011, it sent written notice of the proposed discontinuance to the affected customers by first-class mail in accordance with the requirements of section 63.71(a) of the Commission's rules. XO asserts that it is considered non-dominant with respect to the service to be discontinued.

In accordance with section 63.71(c) of the Commission's rules, XO's application will be deemed to be granted automatically on the 31st day after the release date of this public notice, unless the Commission notifies XO that the grant will not be automatically effective. In the application and customer notice, XO indicates that it plans to discontinue its post paid Calling Card service in the Service Areas effective October 31, 2011, subject to Commission authorization. Accordingly, pursuant to section 63.71(c) and the terms of XO's application and notice, absent further Commission action, XO may terminate its provision of post paid Calling Card service in the Service Areas on or after **October 31, 2011**. The Commission normally will authorize proposed discontinuances of service unless it is shown that customers or other end users would be unable to receive service or a reasonable substitute from another carrier, or that the public convenience and necessity would be otherwise adversely affected.

This proceeding is considered a "permit but disclose" proceeding for purposes of the Commission's ex parte rules, 47 C.F.R. §§ 1.1200-1.1216. Comments objecting to this application must be filed with the Commission on or before **October 17, 2011**. Such comments should refer to **WC Docket No. 11-156 and Comp. Pol. File No. 1012**. Comments should include specific information about the impact of this proposed discontinuance on the commenter, including any inability to acquire reasonable substitute service. Comments may be filed using the Commission's Electronic Comment Filing System (ECFS) or by filing paper copies. See *Electronic Filing of Documents in Rulemaking Proceedings*, 63 FR 24121 (1998). Comments filed through the ECFS can be sent as an electronic file via the Internet to <http://fjallfoss.fcc.gov/ecfs2/>. Filers should follow the instructions provided on the Web site for submitting comments. Generally, only one copy of an electronic submission must be filed. In completing the transmittal screen, filers should include their full name, U.S. Postal Service mailing address, and the applicable docket or rulemaking number.

Parties who choose to file by paper must file an original and one copy of each filing. Filings can be sent by hand or messenger delivery, by commercial overnight courier, or by first-class or overnight U.S. Postal Service mail. All filings must be addressed to the Commission's Secretary, Office of the Secretary, Federal Communications Commission. All hand-delivered or messenger-delivered paper filings for the Commission's Secretary must be delivered to FCC Headquarters at 445 12th Street, S.W., Room TW-A325, Washington, D.C. 20554. The filing hours are Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. All hand deliveries must be held together with rubber bands or fasteners. Any envelopes and boxes must be disposed of before entering the building. Commercial overnight mail (other than U.S. Postal Service Express Mail and Priority Mail) must be sent to 9300 East Hampton Drive, Capitol Heights, MD 20743. U.S. Postal Service first-class, Express, and Priority mail must be addressed to 445 12th Street, S.W., Washington, D.C. 20554.

Two copies of the comments should also be sent to the Competition Policy Division, Wireline Competition Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, 445 12th Street, S.W., Room 5-C140, Washington, D.C. 20554, Attention: Carmell Weathers. In addition, comments should be served upon the Applicant. Commenters are also requested to fax their comments to the FCC at (202) 418-1413, Attention: Carmell Weathers.

The application will be available for public inspection and copying during regular business hours at the FCC Reference Center, Portals II, 445 12th Street, S.W., Room CY-A257, Washington, D.C. 20554, (202) 418-0270. A copy of the application may also be purchased from the Commission's

duplicating contractor, Best Copy and Printing, Inc., 445 12th Street, S.W., Room CY-B402, Washington, D.C. 20554, telephone (202) 488-5300, facsimile (202) 488-5563, or via e-mail at [FCC@BCPIWEB.COM](mailto:FCC@BCPIWEB.COM). People with Disabilities: To request materials in accessible formats for people with disabilities (Braille, large print, electronic files, audio format), send an e-mail to [fcc504@fcc.gov](mailto:fcc504@fcc.gov) or call the Consumer & Governmental Affairs Bureau at (202) 418-0530 (voice), (202) 418-0432 (tty).

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