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## **COMMENTS INVITED ON APPLICATION OF LIBERTY-BELL TELECOM LLC TO DISCONTINUE DOMESTIC TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES**

**WC Docket No. 11-160**  
**Comp. Pol. File No. 1013**

**Comments Due: October 20, 2011**

### **Section 214 Application** **Applicant: Liberty-Bell Telecom LLC**

On **September 29, 2011**, **Liberty-Bell Telecom LLC** (Liberty-Bell or Applicant), located at **2460 West 26th Avenue, Suite #380-C, Denver, Colorado 80211**, 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 Colorado.

Liberty-Bell indicates that it currently offers post-paid Calling Card service in Colorado (Service Area). Liberty-Bell explains that its post-paid Calling Card service enables customers to make long distance and international telephone calls, and that it is not offered on a standalone basis but rather is offered solely as an adjunct to Liberty-Bell's traditional telecommunications services. Liberty-Bell specifies that the service is currently provided to about 25 customers in Colorado. Liberty-Bell represents that, on September 27, 2011, it was notified, by the underlying provider for its post-paid Calling Card service, that the vendor would no longer support calling card services after October 3, 2011. Liberty-Bell asserts that this date was subsequently extended to October 31, 2011, and that it has no alternative but to discontinue providing the service to its customers, effective October 31, 2011, subject to Commission authorization.<sup>1</sup> Liberty-Bell maintains that the proposed discontinuance of service will not result in harm to the affected customers because they will retain all of their other telecommunications services provided by Liberty-Bell and they can easily obtain alternatives to the post-paid Calling Card service from other service providers. Liberty-Bell indicates that, on September 29, 2011, it mailed notice of the proposed discontinuance to affected customers by letters sent via first-class mail in accordance with the requirements of section 63.71(a) of the Commission's rules. Liberty-Bell 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, Liberty-Bell'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 Liberty-Bell that the grant will not be automatically effective. In the application and

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<sup>1</sup> Discontinuance of international service is governed by 47 C.F.R. § 63.19.

customer notice, Liberty-Bell indicates that it plans to discontinue its post-paid Calling Card service in the Service Area effective October 31, 2011, subject to Commission authorization. Accordingly, pursuant to section 63.71(c) and the terms of Liberty-Bell's application and notice, absent further Commission action, Liberty-Bell may terminate its provision of post-paid Calling Card service in the Service Area on or after **November 5, 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 20, 2011**. Such comments should refer to **WC Docket No. 11-160 and Comp. Pol. File No. 1013**. 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).

For further information, contact Carmell Weathers, (202) 418-2325 (voice), [carmell.weathers@fcc.gov](mailto:carmell.weathers@fcc.gov), or Kimberly Jackson, (202) 418-7393 (voice), [kimberly.jackson@fcc.gov](mailto:kimberly.jackson@fcc.gov), of

the Competition Policy Division, Wireline Competition Bureau. The tty number is (202) 418-0484. For further information on procedures regarding section 214 please visit [http://www.fcc.gov/wcb/cpd/other\\_adjud](http://www.fcc.gov/wcb/cpd/other_adjud).

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