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COMMENTS INVITED ON APPLICATION OF EVERYCALL COMMUNICATIONS, INC. TO DISCONTINUE DOMESTIC TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES

WC Docket No. 14-76 Comp. Pol. File No. 1153

Comments Due: May 30, 2014

Section 214 Application

Applicant: EveryCall Communications, Inc.

On April 21, 2014, EveryCall Communications, Inc. (EveryCall or Applicant), located at 4315 Bluebonnet Blvd., Ste A, Baton Rouge, LA 70809, 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 certain domestic telecommunications services in Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee and Texas (Service Areas).

EveryCall indicates that it currently offers prepaid and postpaid wireline packages of residential local exchange and interexchange services (Affected Services) in the Service Areas. EveryCall explains that it offers the Affected Services on a resale basis using AT&T as the underlying carrier. EveryCall asserts, however, that as a result of changing market conditions it is no longer economically feasible to provide the Affected Services in the market areas served by AT&T. Accordingly, EveryCall states that it plans to discontinue the Affected Services in the Service Areas on June 15, 2014, subject to receipt of the necessary federal and state regulatory authorizations. EveryCall maintains that customers will not be harmed by the proposed discontinuance because they have received ample notice and equivalent service offerings are available from other carriers. In particular, EveryCall states that one or more carriers in each state provide similar prepaid packages and that many more carriers, including the incumbent carriers, provide these services on a post-paid basis. EveryCall indicates that it sent written notice to affected customers by first-class mail on April 15, 2014. EveryCall asserts that it is considered non-dominant with respect to the Affected Services.

In accordance with section 63.71(c) of the Commission's rules, EveryCall'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 EveryCall that the grant will not be automatically effective. In the application, EveryCall indicates that it plans to discontinue the Affected Services in the Service Areas on June 15, 2014, subject to receipt of the necessary federal and state regulatory authorizations. Accordingly,

¹ The Competition Policy Division of the Wireline Competition Bureau subsequently received the filed application on April 29, 2014.

pursuant to section 63.71(c) and the terms of EveryCall's application, absent further Commission action, EveryCall may discontinue the Affected Services in the Service Areas on or after **June 15, 2014**. 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.

Comments objecting to this application must be filed with the Commission on or before May 30, 2014. Such comments should refer to WC Docket No. 14-76 and Comp. Pol. File No. 1153. 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 may be filed electronically using the Internet by accessing the ECFS: 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.

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² 47 C.F.R. §§ 1.1200 et seq.

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For further information, contact Carmell Weathers, (202) 418-2325 (voice), Carmell.Weathers@fcc.gov, or Rodney McDonald, (202) 418-7513 (voice), Rodney.McDonald@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.