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Via Hand Delivery

Marlene H. Dortch
Office of the Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, SW - Room TW-A325
Washington, DC 20554

Attn: Competition Policy Division, Wireline Competition Bureau

Re: Section 63.71 Application of Comcast Business Communications, LLC for
Discontinuance of Interexchange Telecommunications Services in Multiple States

Dear Ms. Dortch:

Enclosed please find the original and four (4) copies of the Application of Comcast Business Communications, LLC ("CBC") for authority to discontinue the provision of interexchange telecommunications services in multiple states on or before July 1, 2009. CBC is also submitting simultaneously with this application a second application to discontinue certain telecommunications services in four states (*i.e.*, Delaware, Maryland, New Jersey and Pennsylvania). In contrast, in the states subject to the present application, CBC offers no local services and provides all IXC services solely on a resold basis.

Other Comcast entities are not affected by this discontinuance.

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I have enclosed an extra copy of this filing. Please stamp this extra copy with the Commission's acknowledgement of receipt and return to our messenger.

Sincerely,

Davis Wright Tremaine LLP

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Danielle Frappier". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the printed name and title.

Danielle Frappier
Counsel to Comcast Business Communications, LLC

Enclosure

cc: Rodney McDonald, Wireline Competition Bureau, FCC
Special Assistant for Telecommunications, Secretary of Defense, U.S. Dept. of Defense,
Pentagon, Washington, DC 20301
Governors of the affected states

**BEFORE THE
FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20554**

In the Matter of Section 63.71 Application of

Comcast Business Communications, LLC
for Authority Pursuant to Section 214 of the
Communications Act to Discontinue
Interexchange Telecommunications Services in
Multiple States

File No. _____

SECTION 63.71 APPLICATION

Comcast Business Communications, LLC (“CBC”), hereby seeks authorization pursuant to Section 214(a) of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, 47 U.S.C. § 214(a), and Section 63.71 of the Commission’s Rules, 47 C.F.R. § 63.71, to discontinue its provision of domestic interexchange services on or before July 1, 2009 in multiple states (collectively, “Discontinued IXC Services”). Specifically, CBC proposes to discontinue the Discontinued IXC Services in the following states:¹

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| 1. Alabama | 16. Louisiana | 31. Oklahoma |
| 2. Arizona | 17. Maine | 32. Oregon |
| 3. Arkansas | 18. Massachusetts | 33. Rhode Island |
| 4. California | 19. Michigan | 34. South Carolina |
| 5. Colorado | 20. Minnesota | 35. South Dakota |
| 6. Connecticut | 21. Mississippi | 36. Tennessee |
| 7. District of Columbia | 22. Missouri | 37. Texas |
| 8. Florida | 23. Montana | 38. Utah |
| 9. Georgia | 24. Nebraska | 39. Vermont |
| 10. Idaho | 25. Nevada | 40. Virginia |
| 11. Illinois | 26. New Hampshire | 41. Washington |
| 12. Indiana | 27. New Mexico | 42. West Virginia |
| 13. Iowa | 28. New York | 43. Wisconsin |
| 14. Kansas | 29. North Carolina | 44. Wyoming |
| 15. Kentucky | 30. Ohio | |

¹ This application will treat the District of Columbia as a state.

Other Comcast entities are not affected by this discontinuance.

The impact on the public of this discontinuance will be minimal because there is a small number of customers for the Discontinued IXC Services. In fact, in 10 states, there no customers at all. Moreover, CBC has 5 or fewer customers in 23 states, and 36 or fewer customers in 11 states. All told, there are less than 700 customers for these services in the country.

In support of this Application, CBC provides the following information.

I. Information Required by 47 C.F.R. § 63.71(a)(1) – (a)(4)

1. Name and Address of Carrier

Comcast Business Communications, LLC
One Comcast Center, 50th Floor
Philadelphia, PA 19103
Attn: Brian A. Rankin

2. Date of Planned Service Discontinuance

CBC plans to discontinue the provision of the Discontinued IXC Services on or before July 1, 2009, but no earlier than 31 days after the Commission releases public notice of this filing.

3. Points of Geographic Areas of Service Affected

CBC is discontinuing the Discontinued IXC Services in the 44 states listed above. CBC is following the appropriate state law for discontinuance of these services in each state, and will assist affected customers during their transition to alternative service providers.

4. Description of Type of Service Affected

As was explained above, CBC will discontinue domestic interexchange services, which are provided on a resold basis.

II. Notice to Customers

In accordance with 47 C.F.R. § 63.71(a) and applicable state law, CBC has notified all affected customers of the planned discontinuance of the Discontinued IXC Services. Specifically, CBC sent letters via first class U.S. Mail to each of the affected customers on or before May 4, 2009, which was on or before the deadline set forth in applicable state law. These notices included all the information required by 47 C.F.R. § 63.71(a)(1) – (a)(4), as well as the statement applicable to non-dominant carriers set forth in 47 C.F.R. § 63.71(a)(5)(i). In the states that require multiple notices, CBC will fully comply with all notice requirements.

III. Notice to States and the Dept. of Defense

In accordance with 47 C.F.R. 63.71(a), CBC has mailed a copy of this Application to the public utility commissions and the Governors of all the states, as well as to the Secretary of Defense.

IV. Non-Dominant Status

CBC is a non-dominant carrier in the interexchange services markets.

V. Designated Contacts

Correspondence concerning this Application should be directed to:

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WHEREFORE, Comcast Business Communications, LLC respectfully requests that the Commission authorize the discontinuance of the CBC Discontinued IXC Services on or before July 1, 2009, or 31 days after the Commission releases public notice of this filing, whichever date is earlier.

Respectfully submitted:

By:



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