

BEFORE THE STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION  
OF THE STATE OF KANSAS

In the Matter of the Application of )  
Consolidated Communications )  
Enterprise Services, Inc. to Cancel )  
Its Certificate of Convenience and )  
Authority to Provide Local Exchange )  
and Exchange Access Service )  
Within the State of Kansas )

Docket No. 24-EVMT-501-COC

**APPLICATION OF**  
**CONSOLIDATED COMMUNICATIONS ENTERPRISE SERVICES, INC.**  
**TO CANCEL ITS CERTIFICATE OF CONVENIENCE AND AUTHORITY**  
**TO PROVIDE LOCAL EXCHANGE AND EXCHANGE ACCESS SERVICE**  
**WITHIN THE STATE OF KANSAS**

COMES NOW Consolidated Communications Enterprise Services, Inc. (CCES) by and through its attorney, Rachel Lipman Reiber, and hereby submits its Application to Cancel its Certificate of Convenience and Authority to Provide Local Exchange and Exchange Access Service within the State of Kansas. In support of this Application, applicant states:

1. CCES, through its predecessor, Everest Connections Corporation, originally received a Certificate of Convenience and Authority pursuant to an Order issued on February 10, 2002, to provide local exchange and exchange access service in Docket No. 00-ECMT-653-COC.
2. This certificate has had several name changes, with the most recent name change occurring in Docket No. 16-EVMT-178-CCN.
3. On November 30, 2022, Everfast Fiber Networks, operating under the Certificate granted in Docket No. 22-EFNT-258-COC, began operating the competitive local exchange business in the Kansas City metropolitan area formerly owned by CCES.

4. CCES now requests that its certificate to provide local exchange and exchange access be canceled.

5. CCES continues to operate under the certificate issued in Docket No. 15-COSC-219-CCN, its Certificate of Convenience and Authority to Provide Interexchange and Operator Services within the State of Kansas, which permits it to provide this service to customers in communities served by its rural telephone company exchanges operating under the name of Consolidated Communications of Kansas and Consolidated Communications of Missouri. See Docket Nos. 19-SFLT-197-CCN; 19-FCMT-161-CCN; 19-BSTT-172-CCS; 19-SFLT-189-COC and 19-STLC-173-CCS.

WHEREFORE, for all of the foregoing reasons, Consolidated Communications Enterprise Services, Inc. respectfully requests that its Certificate to Provide Local Exchange and Exchange Access Service within the State of Kansas be cancelled since it no longer owns the competitive local exchange company providing service in the Kansas City metropolitan area.

Respectfully Submitted,

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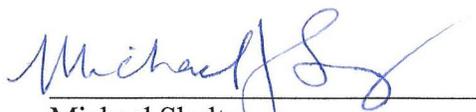
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STATE OF PENNSYLVANIA)

COUNTY OF ALLEGHENY ):

I, Michael Shultz of lawful age, duly sworn, state the following:

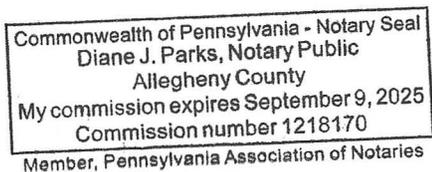
I am Senior Vice President of Regulatory and Public Policy for Consolidated Communications Holdings, Inc. I have read the foregoing Application of Consolidated Communications Enterprise Services, Inc. to Cancel its Certificate to Provide Local Exchange and Exchange Access Services Within the State of Kansas, and assert that it is true and correct to the best of my knowledge, information and belief.

  
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Michael Shultz

Subscribed to before me this 12<sup>th</sup> day of JANUARY, 2024.

  
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Notary Public

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My appointment expires: 9-9-25