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Executive Director Kansas Corporation Commission 1500 Arrowhead Road Topeka, KS 66604



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by
State Corporation Commission
of Kansas

Re:

Discontinuance of <u>Wireline</u> Services of Nexus Communications, Inc., and Relinquishment of Certificate of Convenience and Authority to Provide Switched Local Exchange Telecommunications Service in the State of Kansas

Dear Executive Director,

Nexus Communications, Inc. ("Nexus") hereby gives notice pursuant to the Commission pursuant to K.A.R. 82-13-2 that it is discontinuing its provision of <u>wireline</u> services in Kansas. Nexus's *wireless* services are <u>not</u> affected by this discontinuance. Nexus is therefore discontinuing its wireline services, relinquishing its Certificate of Convenience and Authority to provide switched local exchange telecommunications service, and providing notice that it will no longer provide wireline Lifeline service.

Notice to all wireline subscribers in Kansas was sent on December 16, 2014 to permit them to obtain alternative service. A sample notice is attached hereto. The impact of this discontinuance will be minimal because only two Nexus wireline subscribers are being discontinued, and those consumers have multiple options for alternative service providers in Kansas. Nexus <u>does not</u> intend to relinquish its designation as an Eligible Telecommunications Carrier ("ETC"), as it intends to continue providing wireless Lifeline service pursuant to that designation.

In connection with this filing, Nexus submits the following information:

I. <u>Description of the Discontinuance</u>

The Company

Nexus Communications, Inc. 3629 Cleveland Avenue, Suite C Columbus, OH 43224

Nexus provides facilities-based resold local exchange services in Kansas pursuant to authority granted by the Commission.¹ Nexus also provides wireless service, and intends to continue doing so after the discontinuance of its local exchange services. Pursuant to its designation by the Commission as an ETC, Nexus provides Lifeline service to customers located within its designated service area.² Nexus will discontinue its wireline Lifeline service, but will continue to provide wireless Lifeline service.

Date of Proposed Discontinuance

Subject to receipt of necessary regulatory approvals, Nexus plans to discontinue the affected services on January 20, 2015. All customers will have received notice at least 30 days in advance of this shut-off date.

¹ Nexus was originally granted local exchange authority by the Commission in Docket No. 04-NXCT-833-COC on August 3, 2004.

² Nexus was designated as an ETC for local exchange service in the certain exchanges served by BellSouth in Docket No. 06-NXCT-635-ETC on April 6, 2007. This designation was amended to include wireless service in Docket No. 09-NXCT-823-ETC on April 5, 2009.

Services to Be Discontinued and Affected Customers in Kansas

Nexus proposes to discontinue wireline prepaid local exchange service and wireline prepaid Lifeline local exchange service currently provided to customers. At this time, Nexus delivers these services to approximately two customers in Kansas.

Date and Method of Customer Notice

On December 16, 2014, Nexus sent written notice by first-class mail to affected customers, notifying them that Nexus will cease providing the wireline prepaid local exchange and prepaid Lifeline local exchange services that they currently receive, effective January 20, 2015. The notice clearly underscores that customers must make arrangements with another carrier to avoid loss of service and provides a toll-free telephone number that customers may call to reach Nexus service representatives for assistance with this transition. A sample copy of this notice, which complies with requirements of K.A.R. 82-13-2 and the Federal Communications Commission ("FCC"), is appended as Exhibit A.³

³ Nexus has filed a Section 63.71 application with the FCC for approval to discontinue the domestic interstate services provided as part of these service offerings. A copy of that filing has been served on the Commission. DWT 25562894v1 0085000-001282

II. Contacts for this Notice

Questions and correspondence regarding this Notice should be addressed to:

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III. Circumstance of Discontinuance

Nexus has determined that the market conditions make it unfeasible to continue provision of wireline prepaid intrastate and prepaid Lifeline intrastate services. Consequently, Nexus proposes to discontinue these service offerings.

IV. Public Interest Considerations

Nexus's proposed discontinuance is consistent with the public interest. The services offered by Nexus are available from other providers in the Kansas market. Consequently, Nexus's customers will not be unduly harmed as they will be able to transition to new providers. Consistent with Commission and FCC requirements, Nexus's customers have been given sufficient advance notice of the need to select a new provider such that they will be able to do so in a thoughtful and informed manner. Nexus representatives will be available throughout the transition period to assist with customers with this process.

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V. Summary

Subject to any regulatory approvals, Nexus expects to implement the proposed discontinuance on January 20, 2015. Should the Commission have any questions regarding this filing, please contact Adam Shoemaker at adamshoemaker@dwt.com or (202) 973-4222, or Danielle Frappier at daniellefrappier@dwt.com or (202) 973-4242.

Respectfully submitted,

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December 16, 2014

Dear TSI Home Phone Subscriber:

We regret to inform you that Nexus Communications, Inc. d/b/a TSI ("TSI") will be discontinuing home phone service in your state on January 20th, 2015. Your action is required! You must select a new provider if you wish to continue to have home phone service. In order to ensure a smooth transition to your new provider - including keeping your current telephone number - you should find a new provider of home phone service by January 20th, 2015.

Find New Provider By:

by January 20th, 2015

TSI Service Will Be Shut Down: by January 20th, 2015

Other providers of home phone service in your state include AT&T. Additional providers may be listed in your local telephone book. You will need to contact the other company to set up a new account.

KANSAS State Notice

In compliance with Kansas Administrative Regulations require that we provide you with the following information that may assist you in transferring your service:

Telephone Number:

Service Type: Residential Local Exchange Service

FCC Notice

The FCC will normally authorize this proposed discontinuance of service (or reduction or impairment) unless it is shown that customers would be unable to receive service or a reasonable substitute from another carrier or that the public convenience and necessity is otherwise adversely affected. If you wish to object, you should file your comments as soon as possible, but no later than 15 days after the Commission releases public notice of the proposed discontinuance. Address them to the Federal Communications Commission, Wireline Competition Bureau, Competition Policy Division, Washington, DC 20554, and include in your comments a reference to the § 63.71 Application of Nexus Communications, Inc. d/b/a TSI. Comments should include specific information about the impact of this proposed discontinuance (or reduction or impairment) upon you or your company, including any inability to acquire reasonable substitute service.

TSI regrets any inconvenience these changes may cause you.

Sincerely,

Nexus Communications, Inc. d/b/a TSI Customer Service Department

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