

**THE STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF KANSAS**

Before Commissioners: Pat Apple, Chairman
Shari Feist Albrecht
Jay Scott Emler

In the Matter of Knology of Kansas, Inc.)
dba WOW! Internet, Cable and Phone) Docket No. 18-KKIC-104-CCS
Notice of Cancellation of All of its)
Authorities.)

ORDER CANCELLING CERTIFICATES

The above-captioned matter comes before the State Corporation Commission of the State of Kansas (Commission) for consideration and determination. Having examined its files and record, and being duly advised in the premises, the Commission finds and concludes as follows:

1. On August 31, 2017, Knology of Kansas, Inc. dba WOW! Internet, Cable and Phone (Knology) filed a request seeking cancellation of its Certificates of Convenience and Authority [Certificate(s)] to provide Local Exchange, Exchange Access, Interexchange and Operator services in Kansas inasmuch as all the company's assets were purchased by Midcontinent Communications, a South Dakota General Partnership.¹

2. The Commission's authority to supervise telecommunications public utilities derives from K.S.A. 2016 Supp. 66-1,188. The Commission's authority to certificate and de-certificate public utilities derives from K.S.A. 2016 Supp. 66-131. Pursuant to K.S.A. 2016 Supp. 66-131, the Commission must review all certification and de-certification applications to determine whether the *public convenience* will be promoted by granting the request.

3. On September 11, 2017, the Commission Staff (Staff) submitted its Report and Recommendation dated September 6, 2017, recommending the Commission cancel Knology's Certificates authorizing the company to provide Local Exchange, Exchange Access,

¹ See Docket No. 17-MCCT-252-COC.

Interexchange and Operator services in Kansas. According to Staff, the company's Certificate authorizing it to provide Local Exchange and Exchange Access service was issued by the Commission on September 29, 2010, in Docket No. 11-KKIC-183-COC. A second Certificate authorizing Knology to provide Interexchange and Operator services was also issued on September 29, 2010, in Docket No. 11-KKIC-184-COC. Staff confirms that Knology has no customers in Kansas and that the company's Kansas Universal Service Fund (KUSF) account is current; however, outstanding assessments from July 2017 remain due in the amount of \$1,011.77. Concluding, Staff recommends the Commission cancel Knology's Certificates to provide Local Exchange, Exchange Access, Interexchange and Operator services in Kansas as requested. Staff determines that with all the numerous options for customers to choose an alternative Local Exchange, Exchange Access, Interexchange and Operator Services provider in Kansas, it is in the public interest to cancel Knology's Certificates. Staff further recommends Knology be reminded to pay all outstanding assessments as part of the cancellation of business in the State of Kansas.²

4. The Commission adopts Staff's analysis and recommendation of September 6, 2017, as stated in its Report and Recommendation, which is attached hereto and made a part hereof by reference, and finds that the public convenience will be promoted by granting Knology's request and cancelling the company's Certificates.

IT IS, THEREFORE, BY THE COMMISSION ORDERED THAT:

(A). Knology of Kansas, Inc. dba WOW! Internet, Cable and Phone's request filed in this matter on August 31, 2017, is hereby granted and Knology's Certificates of Convenience and Authority authorizing the company to provide Local Exchange and Exchange Access service issued September 29, 2010, in Docket No. 11-KKIC-183-COC, and to provide Interexchange

² Report and Recommendation, page 2.

and Operator services issued September 29, 2010, in Docket No. 11-KKIC-184-COC, are hereby canceled.

(B). Knology is reminded to pay all outstanding assessments as part of the company's cancellation of business in the State of Kansas.

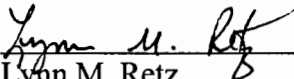
(C). The parties have fifteen (15) days, plus three (3) days if service of this Order is by mail, from the date this Order was served in which to petition the Commission for reconsideration of any issue or issues decided herein. K.S.A. 66-118b; K.S.A. 2016 Supp. 77-529(a)(1).

(D). The Commission retains jurisdiction over the subject matter and the parties for the purpose of entering such further order, or orders, as it may deem necessary.

BY THE COMMISSION IT IS SO ORDERED.

Apple, Chairman; Albrecht, Commissioner; Emler, Commissioner

Dated: SEP 14 2017


Lynn M. Retz
Secretary to the Commission

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SEP 15 2017

**REPORT AND RECOMMENDATION
UTILITIES DIVISION**

TO: Chairman Pat Apple
Commissioner Shari Feist Albrecht
Commissioner Jay Scott Emler

FROM: Paula Artzer, Senior Telecommunications Analyst
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DATE: September 6, 2017

SUBJECT: Docket No. 18-KKIC-104-CCS
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Notice of Cancellation of All of its Authorities

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

On August 31, 2017, Knology of Kansas, Inc. d/b/a WOW! (Knology) filed a request with the Commission for the cancellation of their Certificate to provide Local Exchange, Exchange Access, Interexchange and Operator services in Kansas. The letter indicated Knology has no customers or revenue in Kansas as all Company assets were purchased by Midcontinent Communications, a South Dakota General Partnership (Midcontinent)¹. Staff recommends the Commission grant this request to cancel Knology's Certificates.

BACKGROUND:

Knology received a Certificate of Convenience to provide Local Exchange and Exchange Access services in Docket 11-KKIC-183-COC, and Interexchange and Operator services in Docket No. 11-KKIC-184-COC. Both Dockets were approved September 29, 2010. The Commission derives its authority to supervise telecommunications public utilities from K.S.A. 66-1,188. The Commission derives its authority to certificate and de-certificate public utilities from K.S.A. 66-131.

¹ See 17-MCCT-252-COC and 17-MCCCT-253-COC, approved January 5, 2017.

ANALYSIS:

Pursuant to K.S.A. 66-131, the Commission must review all certification and de-certification applications to determine whether the “public convenience” will be promoted by granting the request.

Knology is registered with the Kansas Secretary of State and is currently “Active and in Good Standing”. The Company’s KUSF account is current but outstanding assessments from July 2017 remain due in the amount of \$1011.77.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends the Commission cancel the Certificates of Convenience of Knology to provide Local Exchange, Exchange Access, Interexchange and Operator services in Kansas as requested. Knology has no customers in Kansas. Staff recommends Knology be reminded to pay all outstanding assessments as part of the cancellation of business in the State of Kansas. With the numerous options for customers to choose an alternative Local Exchange, Exchange Access, Interexchange and Operator Services provider in Kansas, it is in the public interest to cancel the Certificates.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

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I, the undersigned, certify that the true copy of the attached Order has been served to the following parties by means of first class mail/hand delivered on SEP 14 2017.

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