

STATE OF MICHIGAN
BEFORE THE MICHIGAN PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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In the matter of the application of) CMC TELECOM, INC. , for a license to provide) basic local exchange service) in Ameritech Michigan exchanges.) _____)	)	Case No. U-11425
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In the matter of the application of) CMC TELECOM, INC. , to expand the geographic) scope of its license to provide basic local exchange) service in the local exchanges currently served by) SBC Michigan, and Verizon North Inc. and Contel of) the South Inc., d/b/a Verizon North Systems.) _____)	)	Case No. U-14113
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In the matter of the application of) LUCRE, INC. , for a license to provide) basic local exchange service in selected areas) served by Ameritech Michigan.) _____)	)	Case No. U-11828
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In the matter of the application of) LUCRE, INC. , to amend the geographic service area) of its license to encompass all of the zones and) exchanges throughout the state of Michigan) served by GTE North Incorporated, Contel of the) South, Inc., d/b/a GTE Systems of Michigan, and) Ameritech Michigan.) _____)	)	Case No. U-12112
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In the matter of the application of) MICHIGAN ACCESS, INC. , for temporary and) permanent licenses to provide local exchange) services in all zone and exchange areas throughout) the state of Michigan.) _____)	)	Case No. U-14896
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In the matter of the application of)
MICHIGAN ACCESS, INC., to amend the)
geographic service area of its license to provide)
basic local exchange service.)

Case No. U-16137

In the matter of the application of)
BUSINESS COMMUNICATION ANALYSTS, INC.,)
for a license to provide basic local exchange service)
throughout the state of Michigan in the zone and)
exchange areas served by Verizon North Inc.,)
Contel of the South, Inc., d/b/a Verizon North)
Systems, CenturyTel Midwest-Michigan, Inc.,)
Century-Tel of Michigan, Inc., CenturyTel of)
Northern Michigan, Inc., CenturyTel of Upper)
Michigan, Inc., and AT&T Michigan.)

Case No. U-15103

In the matter of the application of)
HURON MOUNTAIN COMMUNICATIONS CO.)
for the issuance of a license to provide basic local)
exchange service.)

Case No. U-15548

In the matter of the application of)
IQ TELECOM, INC., for a license to)
provide basic local exchange service.)

Case No. U-16507

In the matter of the application of)
ROCKFORD TELEPHONE COMPANY, INC.,)
for a temporary and permanent license to provide)
resold and facilities-based local exchange)
telecommunications service in the state of Michigan)
(Rockford Exchange only).)

Case No. U-16844

In the matter of the application of)
AIR ADVANTAGE, LLC,)
for a temporary and permanent license to provide)
local exchange service throughout the state of)
Michigan.)

Case No. U-17001

In the matter of the application of)
AIRNORTH COMMUNICATIONS, INC.,)
for the issuance of a temporary and permanent license)
to provide basic local exchange service throughout)
the state of Michigan in the zones and exchange areas)
served by AT&T Michigan, Frontier North, Inc.,)
Frontier Midstates, Inc., CenturyTel of Michigan, Inc.,)
CenturyTel Midwest-Michigan, Inc., CenturyTel of)
Northern Michigan, Inc., and CenturyTel of Upper)
Michigan, Inc.)
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Case No. U-17745

In the matter of the Commission's own motion, to)
commence formal basic local exchange service)
license revocation proceedings against)
AIR ADVANTAGE, LLC;)
AIRNORTH COMMUNICATIONS, INC.;)
CMC TELECOM, INC.;)
GLOBAL COMMUNICATIONS NETWORK, INC.,)
f/k/a CASTLE WIRE, INC.,)
f/k/a BUSINESS COMMUNICATIONS ANALYSTS,)
INC.; HURON MOUNTAIN COMMUNICATIONS)
CO.; IQ TELECOM, INC.; LUCRE, INC.;)
MICHIGAN ACCESS, INC.; and ROCKFORD)
TELEPHONE COMPANY, INC.)
_____)

Case No. U-20892

At the September 24, 2020 meeting of the Michigan Public Service Commission in Lansing,
Michigan.

PRESENT: Hon. Daniel C. Scripps, Chair
Hon. Sally A. Talberg, Commissioner
Hon. Tremaine L. Phillips, Commissioner

ORDER

In each of the above separately captioned proceedings, the Commission granted the named
applicant a license to provide basic local exchange service in the state of Michigan pursuant to the
licensing provisions set forth in the Michigan Telecommunications Act, 1991 PA 179, MCL

484.2101 *et seq.* Acquisition of a license to provide basic local exchange service carries with it certain responsibilities, including, but not limited to, the duty to “[c]omply with all federal and state requirements regarding truth in billing, E 9-1-1 services, and basic local exchange service.” MCL 484.2305b(c). Moreover, providers of basic local exchange service are obligated to obey the lawful orders of the Commission and to respond promptly to reasonable requests from the Commission Staff (Staff).

It has been brought to the Commission’s attention that the providers listed in the case captions of this proceeding have been deficient in attending to the statutory and regulatory responsibilities of licensed basic local exchange service providers. In Michigan, a formal action to revoke a license must be preceded by an informal notice to the licensee of the intended action and by an opportunity for the licensee “to show compliance with all lawful requirements for retention of the license . . .” MCL 24.292(1); *Rogers v Cosmetology Board*, 68 Mich App 751; 244 NW2d 20 (1976).

On October 7, 2019, Robin Ancona, then Director of the Telecommunications Division at the Commission, sent a letter (October 7 letter) to each of these nine licensees. The licensees were advised that the purpose of the October 7 letter was to “ascertain whether [the] company wishes to retain its license” to provide basic local exchange service in Michigan. In each letter, the licensee was notified of past unsuccessful attempts by the Staff to contact the licensee by regular mail, telephone, or e-mail. The letters informed these providers to “respond to this inquiry no later than 30 days from the date of this letter and indicate if the company intends to retain its license and is providing service or has ceased operations.” Finally, each letter notified the licensee that “[i]f no response is received, the Commission will take the necessary steps to commence the process of revoking [its] license.”

To date, none of the nine providers has sufficiently responded to be considered in compliance with the legal requirements to retain its license. The Commission finds that the preliminary steps for license revocations required in MCL 24.292 and *Rogers v Cosmetology Bd, supra*, have been completed and that the Commission may now commence formal proceedings to revoke licenses of the providers listed in the captions of this proceeding. Therefore, the Commission orders each provider listed in the captions of this proceeding that desires to retain its license to provide basic local exchange service to file an intervention in Case No. U-20892 by October 26, 2020, and to appear at the November 17, 2020 joint hearing before Administrative Law Judge Kandra K. Robbins (ALJ) that will take place at 9:00 a.m., Eastern time, via teleconference or videoconference on Microsoft Teams. The Staff shall also attend the November 17, 2020 hearing.

If a provider does not intervene in the proceeding and/or fails to attend the November 17, 2020 hearing, the ALJ shall, after receipt of testimony and exhibits from the Staff, render a Proposal for Decision (PFD) with regard to the issue of whether the provider's license to provide basic local exchange service should be revoked immediately by the Commission. For any provider that intervenes in the proceeding and attends the hearing, the ALJ shall treat the hearing as a prehearing conference in a separate complaint case brought in the docket for the provider's license, unless the provider agrees to voluntarily relinquish its license or the Staff requests dismissal of further proceedings against the provider.

All documents filed in this case shall be submitted electronically through the Commission's E-Dockets website at michigan.gov/mpscedockets. Requirements and instructions for filing can be found on the E-Dockets help page. Documents may also be submitted, in Word or PDF format, as an attachment to an e-mail sent to mpscedockets@michigan.gov. If the provider requires assistance prior to e-filing, it may contact the Commission Staff at (517) 284-8090 or by e-mail at

mpscedockets@michigan.gov. All information received by the Commission will become public information, posted on the Commission's website, and subject to disclosure.

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that each of the following providers: Air Advantage, LLC; AirNorth Communications, Inc.; CMC Telecom, Inc.; Global Communications Network, Inc., f/k/a Castle Wire, Inc., f/k/a Business Communications Analysts, Inc.; Huron Mountain Communications Co.; IQ Telecom, Inc.; Lucre, Inc.; Michigan Access, Inc.; and Rockford Telephone Company, Inc.; that desires to retain its license to provide basic local exchange service in the state of Michigan shall file an intervention in Case No. U-20892 no later than 5:00 p.m., Eastern time, on October 26, 2020, and appear at 9:00 a.m., Eastern time, on November 17, 2020, before Administrative Law Judge Kandra K. Robbins for a hearing via videoconference or teleconference via Microsoft Teams.

The Commission reserves jurisdiction and may issue further orders as necessary.

Any party desiring to appeal this order must do so by the filing of a claim of appeal in the Michigan Court of Appeals within 30 days of the issuance of this order, under MCL 484.2203(12). To comply with the Michigan Rules of Court's requirement to notify the Commission of an appeal, appellants shall send required notices to both the Commission's Executive Secretary and to the Commission's Legal Counsel. Electronic notifications should be sent to the Executive Secretary at mpscedockets@michigan.gov and to the Michigan Department of the Attorney General - Public Service Division at pungpl@michigan.gov. In lieu of electronic submissions, paper copies of such notifications may be sent to the Executive Secretary and the Attorney General - Public Service Division at 7109 W. Saginaw Hwy., Lansing, MI 48917.

MICHIGAN PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Daniel C. Scripps, Chair

Sally A. Talberg, Commissioner

Tremaine L. Phillips, Commissioner

By its action of September 24, 2020.

Lisa Felice, Executive Secretary

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STATE OF MICHIGAN)

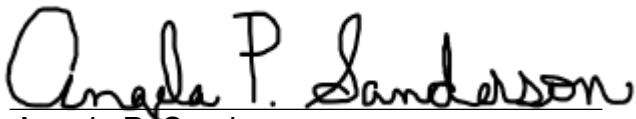
Case No. U-20892 *et al.*

County of Ingham)

Brianna Brown being duly sworn, deposes and says that on September 24, 2020 A.D. she electronically notified the attached list of this **Commission Order via e-mail transmission**, to the persons as shown on the attached service list (Listserv Distribution List).


Brianna Brown

Subscribed and sworn to before me
this 24th day of September 2020.



Angela P. Sanderson
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