

STATE OF MICHIGAN  
BEFORE THE MICHIGAN PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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In the matter of the application of	)	
<b>BW BROADBAND INC.</b>	)	
for a temporary and permanent license to provide	)	Case No. U-21934
basic local exchange service in the Winn Exchange.	)	
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At the December 5, 2025 meeting of the Michigan Public Service Commission in Lansing, Michigan.

PRESENT: Hon. Daniel C. Scripps, Chair  
Hon. Katherine L. Peretick, Commissioner  
Hon. Shaquila Myers, Commissioner

**ORDER**

On June 23, 2025, BW Broadband Inc. (BW Broadband) filed an application in this docket, with supporting testimony and exhibits, under the Michigan Telecommunications Act (MTA), MCL 484.2101 *et seq.*, for a temporary and permanent license to provide basic local exchange service in the Winn Exchange currently served by Winn Telephone Company. On July 24, 2025, BW Broadband filed an amended application and exhibits. On August 21, 2025, BW Broadband was granted a temporary license.

At an evidentiary hearing held on September 17, 2025, BW Broadband presented the testimony and exhibits of Mike Fitzpatrick, BW Broadband’s General Manager. At the close of the hearing, the parties (BW Broadband and the Commission Staff), waived compliance with Section 81 of the Michigan Administrative Procedures Act of 1969, MCL 24.281.

After a review of the application, testimony, and exhibits, the Commission finds that approval of the application, as amended, is in the public interest. On numerous occasions, the Commission has found that competition can be advantageous to the residents of this state. Approval of the request for a license to provide basic local exchange service will expand the opportunities for competition. Accordingly, the application, as amended, is approved.

The grant of a license is conditioned on full compliance with the provisions of the MTA, as well as the anti-slamming procedures adopted in Case No. U-11900, and the number reclamation process adopted in Case No. U-12703. Failure to comply fully may result in revocation of the license and other penalties. The grant of a license is conditioned upon the provision of service to customers within a reasonable time. Failure to do so may result in the revocation of the license. Finally, the Commission notes that any numbers obtained by the applicant are a public resource and are not owned by the applicant. If the applicant fails to provide service or goes out of business, any numbers assigned to it are subject to reclamation.

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that:

A. BW Broadband Inc. is granted a permanent license to provide basic local exchange service in the Winn Exchange currently served by Winn Telephone Company.

B. BW Broadband Inc. shall provide basic local exchange service in accordance with the regulatory requirements specified in the Michigan Telecommunications Act, MCL 484.2101 *et seq.*, including the number portability provisions of MCL 484.2358, the anti-slamming procedures adopted in Case No. U-11900, and the number reclamation process adopted in Case No. U-12703.

C. Before commencing basic local exchange service, BW Broadband Inc. shall submit its tariff reflecting the services that it will offer and identifying the exchanges in which it will offer service.

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

Any party desiring to appeal this order must do so in the appropriate court within 30 days after issuance and notice of this order, pursuant to 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 [LARA-MPSC-Edockets@michigan.gov](mailto:LARA-MPSC-Edockets@michigan.gov) and to the Michigan Department of Attorney General – Public Service Division at [sheacl@michigan.gov](mailto:sheacl@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

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Daniel C. Scripps, Chair

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Katherine L. Peretick, Commissioner

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Shaquila Myers, Commissioner

By its action of December 5, 2025.

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Lisa Felice, Executive Secretary

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STATE OF MICHIGAN )

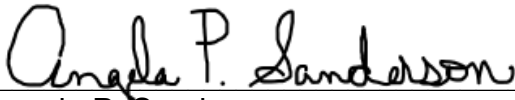
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County of Ingham )

Brianna Brown being duly sworn, deposes and says that December 5, 2025 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 5<sup>th</sup> day of December 2025.



Angela P. Sanderson  
Notary Public, Shiawassee County, Michigan  
As acting in Eaton County  
My Commission Expires: May 21, 2030

**Service List for Case: U-21934**

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