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Via ECFS

Marlene H. Dortch
Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20554

Re: CC Docket No. 00-257 - Notification Pursuant to 47 C.F.R. § 64.1120(e)

Dear Secretary Dortch:

Pursuant to 47 C.F.R. § 64.1120(e)(1), Lingo Management, LLC (“Lingo”) and Fusion Cloud Services, LLC (f/k/a Birch Communications, LLC) (“Fusion”), on behalf of themselves and the subsidiaries noted below, hereby notify the Federal Communications Commission (“Commission”) of the pending *pro forma* assignment of certain Fusion customers (the “Acquired Customers”) to Lingo and its operating subsidiaries.

Parties to the Transaction: The following entities are involved:

- (1) Lingo Management, LLC and its operating subsidiaries:
Lingo Telecom of the Great Lakes, LLC
Lingo Telecom of the South, LLC
Lingo Telecom of the West, LLC
Lingo Communications South, LLC
Lingo Communications North, LLC
Lingo Communications Midwest, LLC
Lingo Communications of the Northeast, LLC
- (2) Fusion Cloud Services, LLC (f/k/a Birch Communications, LLC) and its subsidiaries:
Fusion Telecom of Missouri, LLC (f/k/a Birch Telecom of Missouri, LLC)
Fusion Telecom of Kansas, LLC (f/k/a Birch Telecom of Kansas, LLC)
Fusion Telecom of Texas Ltd, LLP (f/k/a Birch Telecom of Texas Ltd, LLP)
Fusion Communications, LLC (f/k/a Cbeyond Communications, LLC)

Type of Telecommunications Services Provided to Affected Subscribers: The Acquired Customers currently receive competitive local exchange, intrastate toll, intrastate interexchange, interstate interexchange, or international telecommunications services from Fusion and its named subsidiaries. The Acquired Customers currently receive

telecommunications services from Fusion and its named subsidiaries in the states of: Alabama, Arkansas, Connecticut, Delaware, Florida, Georgia, Idaho, Illinois, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Maine, Michigan, Missouri, Montana, Nevada, New Mexico, North Carolina, North Dakota, Oregon, South Dakota, Tennessee, Texas, Utah, Washington, Wisconsin, and Wyoming.

Planned Date of Transfer: The transfer of the Acquired Customers to the operating subsidiaries of Lingo is expected to occur on or after March 18, 2019, and after receipt of all necessary regulatory approvals.

Certification of Compliance: Lingo and its operating subsidiaries hereby certify that they have complied with the requirement to provide advance notice to the Acquired Customers in accordance with 47 C.F.R. § 64.1120(e)(3) and with the other statutory and Commission requirements that apply to this streamlined process. Please see the attached verification.

Copy of Notice to Be Sent to Affected Subscribers: A copy of the notice sent to the Acquired Customers is attached.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Angela F. Collins

Angela F. Collins
Counsel for Lingo Management, LLC

Attachments

Customer Notice Letter



IMPORTANT NOTICE
REGARDING A CHANGE IN YOUR TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES

Dear Customer:

Birch and Lingo are pleased to announce that Lingo is acquiring certain Birch local telephone and long distance telephone customers. Subject to approval by the Federal Communications Commission and state regulators as necessary, Lingo will replace Birch as your current telecommunications service provider on or after March 18, 2019 (the "Transfer Date"). As a result of this transaction, Lingo will assume responsibility for all services previously provided to you by Birch. Lingo is excited about the opportunity to serve you and looks forward to a long and mutually rewarding business relationship.

No action is required from you to continue your service with Lingo. Rest assured, the transition will have little or no impact on your current services, nor will there be any interruption of your service. The agreement between Lingo and Birch has been structured so that the transfer of service will be virtually seamless. You will retain all of your current service rates, features, terms, and conditions of service and your telephone number(s) will remain the same.¹ Lingo will not impose any charges for the transfer of your services to Lingo. You will receive your first billing statement from Lingo starting with your April 2019 or May 2019 bill. If you have established automatic bill payment with Birch, you will need to set up a new online account with Lingo to continue using auto-pay once your service is transferred to Lingo.² As in the past, you are responsible for paying all bills rendered to you by Birch during the transition of service.

You do have the right to select a different carrier for your telecommunications service(s). If you choose to switch to an alternate carrier for services, you may incur a fee from that alternate carrier for the transfer of services. Please note that if you are a customer of Birch on the Transfer Date as set forth above, your account will automatically be transferred to Lingo. In addition, if you have a term commitment with Birch, that commitment will carry over to Lingo, and in the event that you disconnect or transfer service to another carrier prior to the end of the term, you will be liable to Lingo for any applicable early termination charges, subject to applicable law. Please note that if you have placed a "freeze" on your Birch service to prevent unauthorized transfer to another carrier, it will be automatically lifted to implement the transfer to Lingo. Once the transfer is complete, Lingo will have the freeze reinstated. If you do not want the freeze reinstated, please contact Lingo after the Transfer Date.

¹ Following the transition, Lingo will provide written notice to you regarding any changes to the rates, terms, and conditions of your service, as required by applicable law.

² Lingo offers an online portal called MyAccount that allows customers to make electronic payments and manage their Lingo account. You can register for MyAccount after the Transfer Date at <https://account.lingo.com>. To complete the registration process, you will need your existing telephone number and your PIN/access code, which can be found on your monthly invoice.

If you have any questions regarding this transaction or questions about your service or billing prior to the Transfer Date set forth above, you should contact Birch at **1-866-424-5100**.

If you have any questions regarding this transaction, or questions about your service or billing after the Transfer Date set forth above, you should contact Lingo at **1-866-405-4646**.

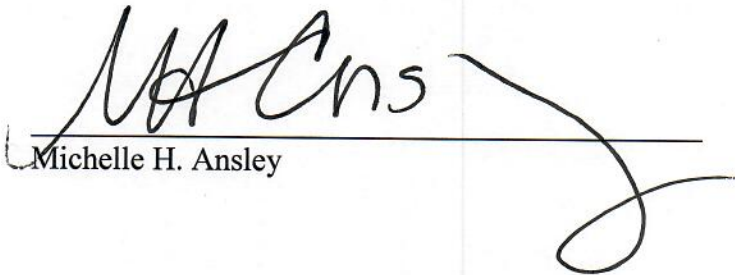
Birch thanks you for your business, and Lingo looks forward to providing you with quality service for many years to come.

Verification

I, Michelle H. Ansley, President and Chief Administrative Officer for Lingo Management, LLC and its subsidiaries, hereby certify under penalty of perjury that the statements in the foregoing filing are true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge, information, and belief.

Date:

2/14/19



Michelle H. Ansley