

Before the
Federal Communications Commission
Washington D.C. 20554

In the Matter Of)	
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Section 63.71 Application of)	
)	WC Docket No. _____
Paetec Communications, LLC)	
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For Authority Pursuant to Section 214 of)	
the Communications Act of 1934 to)	
Discontinue the Provision of Service)	
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**SECTION 63.71 APPLICATION OF
PAETEC COMMUNICATIONS, LLC**

PAETEC Communications, LLC (“Windstream”), through its undersigned counsel and pursuant to Section 214 of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, 47 U.S.C. §214, and Section 63.71 of the Federal Communications Commission’s (“Commission”) rules, 47 C.F.R. §63.71, hereby files this Application to discontinue the provision of DS0/POTS services, Digital Subscriber Line services, DS1/1.5Mb T-1 Voice, Data and Integrated services (collectively “Affected Services”) to certain customers located in Detroit, Michigan. In support of this Application, Windstream submits the following information:

1. Information listed in 47 C.F.R. § 63.71(a)(1)-(4) (47 C.F.R. § 63.71(b)(2)):

a. Name and Address of Carrier (47 C.F.R. § 63.71(a)(1)-(4), (b)(2)):

PAETEC Communications, LLC
4001 North Rodney Parham Rd.
Little Rock, AR 72212

b. Date of Planned Discontinuance (47 C.F.R. § 63.71(a)(2), (b)(2)):

Windstream plans on discontinuing the Affected Services on or about August 15, 2018.

c. Point of Geographic Areas of Service Affected (47 C.F.R. § 63.71(a)(3), (b)(2)):

Affected Services will be discontinued to certain customers in Detroit, Michigan.

d. Brief Description of the Type of Service to be Affected (47 C.F.R. § 63.71(a)(4), (b)(2)):

The service to be affected are DS0/POTS services, Digital Subscriber Line services, DS1/1.5Mb T-1 Voice, Data and Integrated services.

2. Brief Description of the Dates and Methods of Notice to All Affected Customers (47 C.F.R. § 63.71 (b)(3)):

On June 14, 2018, Windstream sent by First Class U.S. Mail notice to all affected customers of the planned discontinuance. A copy of such notice sent to retail customers is attached hereto as Attachment 1, and as sent to wholesale customers is attached hereto as Attachment 2, which are compliant with, among other things, Section 63.71(a)(5) of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. § 63.71(a)(5).

3. Regulatory Classification of Carrier (47 C.F.R. § 63.71 (a)(4)):

Windstream is nondominant with respect to the services that it proposes to discontinue.

4. Service:

In accordance with Section 63.71(a)(1) of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. § 63.71(a)(1), Windstream is submitting a copy of this Application by First Class U.S. Mail to the Michigan Public

Service Commission, to the Office of Michigan Governor Rick Snyder, and to the Secretary of Defense (at the address given in 47 C.F.R. § 63.71(a)).

5. Additional Questions Regarding This Application May be Addressed to the Undersigned.

6. Circumstances of Discontinuance.

Windstream previously obtained authorization to discontinue the Affected Services to the bulk of its customers in Detroit, Michigan due to their being served on an end-of-life platform that was decommissioned on or about November 30, 2017. By this filing Windstream seeks permission to discontinue service to small group of additional customers who likewise are being served on an end of life platform. This discontinuance of the Affected services will affect 9 small business customers, 3 enterprise business customers and 2 wholesale customers in Detroit, Michigan.

These customers will not be unduly harmed because they are being provided ample notice and will be assisted by Windstream to migrate to an alternative service where feasible. Furthermore, customers have comparable options at comparable rates from other providers serving Detroit.

7. Conclusion

Windstream believes that the proposed discontinuance is reasonable and necessary. As outlined herein, Windstream will take reasonable steps to assure that the discontinuance of this service is not unduly disruptive to the present or future public convenience and necessity. Accordingly, Windstream respectfully requests that the Commission permit it to discontinue the provision of the Affected Services to certain customers in Detroit, Michigan pursuant to Section 63.71.

Respectfully Submitted,

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June 14, 2018

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that the foregoing Section 63.71 Application was served this 14th day of June 2018, by mailing true and correct copies thereof, postage prepaid, to the following persons to the addresses listed below.

Secretary of Defense
Attn: Special Assistance for Telecommunications
Pentagon
Washington, DC 20301

Michigan Public Service Commission
P.O. Box 30221
Lansing, MI 48909

Office of Governor Rick Snyder
P.O. Box 30013
Lansing, MI 48909

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Edward J. Cadieux

Attachment 1

Customer Notice – Retail Customers

Attachment 2

Customer Notice – Wholesale Customers