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May 29, 2015

Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
Office of the Secretary
445 12th Street, S.W.
Washington, DC 20554

Re: Section 63.71 Application of Ogden Telephone Company for Authority to
Discontinue Certain Services

JSI respectfully files the enclosed Application of Ogden Telephone Company for
Authority to Discontinue Certain Services. This filing is made in compliance with Section
63.71 of the Commission's rules (47 C.F.R. § 63.71).

Sincerely,

Valerie Wimer
Vice President

on behalf of

Linda K. Corie
Secretary-Treasurer
Ogden Telephone Company

Enclosures

cc: Linda K. Corie, Ogden Telephone Company

Before the
FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20554

In the Matter of)
)
Section 63.71 Application of) Comp. Pol. File No. _____
Ogden Telephone Company)
For Authority to Discontinue)
Certain Services)

SECTION 63.71 APPLICATION

Pursuant to Sections 63.71 of the Commission's Rules¹ and Section 214(a) of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended,² Ogden Telephone Company ("Ogden" or the "Company") hereby files this application to discontinue the provision of local operator services, local operator-assisted calls and Busy Line Verification and Busy Line Interrupt services to customers that the Company serves in the State of Michigan ("Application").³ In support of this Application, Ogden submits the following:

I. Information Required by Section 63.71(a)(1)-(4)

A. Name and Address of Carrier

Ogden Telephone Company
4726 E. Weston Rd.
Blissfield MI 49228

For purposes of this Application, the Commission may contact:

Linda K. Corie
Ogden Telephone Company
4726 E. Weston Rd.
Blissfield MI 49228
(517) 443-5595
corie@ogdentel.com

B. Date of Planned Service Discontinuance

¹ See 47 C.F.R. § 63.71.

² See 47 U.S.C. § 214(a).

³ As required by Section 63.71(a) of the Commission's Rules, Ogden has notified and submitted a copy of this Application concurrent with this filing to the Michigan Public Service Commissions, the Governor of Michigan, and the Secretary of the Department of Defense.

Ogden will discontinue certain local operator services to its customers in the State of Michigan on or about September 1, 2015, or upon completion of all necessary federal and state regulatory approvals.

C. Points of Geographic Areas of Service Affected

Affected Ogden local exchange customers are in the Company's service area. Ogden serves portions of Ogden, Madison, Fairfield, Palmyra and Riga Townships in Lenawee County, Michigan.

D. Brief Description of the Types of Service Affected

In the areas referenced above, Ogden provides the following services which will be discontinued: "0" dialing to reach a local operator, "0 + 10" dialing for operator-assisted calling services and operator-assisted calling card services; and busy line verification/busy line interrupt services (collectively, "Affected Services). This discontinuance is limited to the Affected Services. Customers can continue to reach a long distance operator by dialing "00" to the extent that their presubscribed interexchange carrier offers operator services. Local exchange service will continue without interruption.

II. Brief Description of the Dates and Methods of Notice to All Affected Customers

Notices were sent to all Ogden local exchange customers as a bill insert by method of U.S. Mail on May 29, 2015. Please reference Exhibit A which is a sample copy of the Notice sent to the affected customers. Ogden deemed the bill insert the most economic method of reaching its rural customers and as the size of the insert is distinct from the billing statement it will bring sufficient attention to the Notice. Further, Ogden has published the Notice in a local newspaper.

III. Status of Carrier

Ogden is an incumbent local exchange carrier and considered a dominant carrier with respect to the services that it proposes to discontinue in the State of Michigan.

IV. Circumstances of Discontinuance

The Company's discontinuance of the Affected Services was a business decision based on a lack of customer demand for the service. The Company's customers are using new technologies and choosing widely available alternatives to operator services, operator-assisted calling and busy line verification/interrupt and will not be adversely affected by the Company's discontinuance of Affected Services.

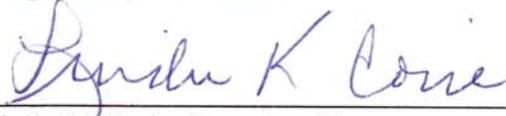
V. **Certification**

On behalf of Ogden Telephone Company, I, the undersigned Secretary-Treasurer, Linda K. Corie hereby certify that the statements contained herein are true, complete and correct to the best of my knowledge and made in good faith.

VI. **Conclusion**

For the reasons stated herein, the Company respectfully requests grant of this Application.

Respectfully Submitted,



Linda K. Corie, Secretary-Treasurer
Ogden Telephone Company
4726 E. Weston Rd.
Blissfield MI 49228
(517) 443-5595

5-28-15

Date

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that the foregoing Section 63.71 Application was served this 29th day of May, 2015, by mailing true and correct copies thereof, postage prepaid, to the following persons at the addresses listed below.

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

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

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



EXHIBIT A

CUSTOMER NOTICE



Dear Valued Customer:

This notice is to inform you that on or after September 1, 2015, Ogden Telephone Company will no longer be providing certain operator services within the state of Michigan. Customers who attempt to reach the discontinued services will receive a recorded message to indicate the service is not available. Specifically, the following services will be discontinued.

- "0" dialing to reach a local operator. Note that you will continue to have access to a long distance operator by dialing "00" if operator services are offered by your presubscribed long distance provider.
- "0 +10" operator-assisted calling services and operated assisted calling card services
- Busy Line Verification and Busy Line Interrupt services

This discontinuance is limited to the above operator services and will not affect your Ogden Telephone Company service in any other way.

The FCC will normally authorize this proposed discontinuance of service unless it is shown that customers would be unable to receive service or a

reasonable substitute from another carrier or that the public convenience and necessity is otherwise adversely affected. If you wish to object, you should file your comments as soon as possible, but no later than 30 days after the Commission releases public notice of the proposed discontinuance. You may file your comments electronically through the FCC's Electronic Comment Filing System using the docket number established in the Commission's public notice for this proceeding, or you may address them to the Federal Communications Commission, Wireline Competition Bureau, Competition Policy Division, Washington, DC 20554, and include in your comments a reference to the §63.71 Application of Ogden Telephone Company. Comments should include specific information about the impact of this proposed discontinuance upon you or your company, including any inability to acquire reasonable substitute service.

If you have any questions about this notice or Ogden Telephone Company's operator services discontinuance, please contact Customer Service, 517-443-5595.

We thank you for your business and look forward to continuing to serve your communications needs.

Sincerely,
Ogden Telephone Company