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**By ECFS**

Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 Twelfth St., SW  
Washington, DC 20554

**Re: CC Docket No. 02-33 – Notice of Discontinuance of Common Carrier Broadband Internet Access Transmission Service of McLeodUSA Telecommunications Services, L.L.C. in the Cedar Rapids, Iowa area.**

Dear Ms. Dortch:

McLeodUSA Telecommunications Services, L.L.C (“McLeodUSA”), by undersigned counsel and pursuant to the *Wireline Broadband Order*,<sup>1</sup> notifies the Commission of its discontinuance of wireline broadband internet access services in certain rate centers in the Cedar Rapids, Iowa area.<sup>2</sup> In compliance with the *Wireline Broadband Order*, McLeodUSA provides the following information:

1. *Name and Address of Carrier:*

McLeodUSA Telecommunications Services, L.L.C.  
4001 North Rodney Parham Road  
Little Rock, AR 72212

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<sup>1</sup> *Appropriate Framework for Broadband Access to the Internet over Wireline facilities*, CC Docket 02-33, Report and Order and Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, 20 FCC Rcd 14853 (2005) (“*Wireline Broadband Order*”).

<sup>2</sup> McLeodUSA previously filed an Application in Docket No. 12-355 pursuant to Rule 63.71. However, because the service to be discontinued is covered under the procedures outlined in the *Wireline Broadband Order*, McLeod USA now files this notice and withdraws its Application in Docket No. 12-355.

2. Date of Planned Service Discontinuance:

The anticipated date of the planned discontinuance is January 15, 2013.

3. Geographic Areas Affected:

The proposed discontinuance of wireline broadband internet access service (ADSL service) will affect service in the rate centers in Cedar Rapids, Iowa, designated by the following CLLI codes and locations:

CLLI(s)	Location/Metropolitan Area
1) CDFLIACO	Cedar Rapids, Iowa
2) IWCYIATC	
3) WTRLIADT	
4) WVRLIACO	

4. Brief Description of Type of Service Affected: McLeodUSA proposes to discontinue the provision of its interstate special access ADSL service, which is used for high-speed internet access.

5. Dominance or Non-Dominance with Respect to Service to be Discontinued: McLeodUSA is non-dominant with respect to the ADSL service that it proposes to discontinue.

6. Description of the Dates and Methods of Notice to Affected Customers: McLeodUSA sent written notice to affected customers on November 12, 2012, in accordance with the requirements of Section 63.71(a) and the *Wireline Broadband Order*. A copy of the customer notice is attached hereto as Attachment A.

McLeodUSA has not sought approval for the proposed discontinuance of service from any state public service commission because the service it proposes to discontinue is interstate in nature pursuant to *GTE Telephone Operating Cos., GTOC Tariff No. 1, Trans No. 1148*, 13 FCC Rcd 22,466 (1998). Nevertheless, in accordance with Section 63.71(a) of the Commission's rules and the *Wireline Broadband Order*, McLeodUSA has notified the Office of the Governor of Iowa and the Iowa Utilities Board of the proposed discontinuance of service covered by this Notice. Such notice was previously provided in connection with McLeodUSA's Application in Docket No. 12-355. McLeodUSA also notified the Special Assistant for Telecommunications for the Secretary of Defense.

Should you have any questions with respect to this matter, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Respectfully submitted,



Edward J. Cadieux  
Senior Regulatory Counsel

## **ATTACHMENT 1: CUSTOMER NOTICE**

November 12, 2012



(1)\*\*\* SINGLE PIECE RATE \*\*\*

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To Our Valued Customer:

**This is an urgent notice regarding your McLeodUSA High Speed Internet service.**

We would like to sincerely thank you for your High Speed Internet business. However, due to market conditions we regret to inform you that we are no longer able to provide Internet service ("ADSL" service) at your residence. **Any other services you may have with McLeodUSA will not be impacted by this change.**

**Key Information Regarding this Change:**

- Your High Speed Internet service will be disconnected on or after January 15, 2013. We recommend you establish service with another provider as soon as possible to ensure that you do not experience a disruption in your Internet service.
- You will not be charged early termination or cancellation fees for moving your Internet service to another provider.
- Any McLeodUSA provided High Speed Internet equipment is yours to keep.
- Quickly placing an order for an alternate service will help ensure that your residence is not left without Internet access for a period of time. If you activate Internet service with another provider before January 14, 2013, please contact McLeodUSA Customer Care to cancel billing on your McLeodUSA service immediately.

**A note from the FCC:**

The FCC will normally authorize this proposed discontinuance of service (or reduction or impairment) 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 15 days after the Commission releases public notice of the proposed discontinuance. Address them to the Federal Communications Commission, Wireline Competition Bureau, Competition Policy Division, Washington,

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DC 20554, and include in your comments a reference to the Section 63.71 Application of McLeod USA Telecommunications Services, LLC. Comments should include specific information about the impact of this proposed discontinuance (or reduction or impairment) upon you or your company, including any inability to acquire reasonable substitute service.

**We apologize for the inconvenience.** If you have any questions regarding this notice, please contact McLeodUSA Customer Care at 1.800.500.3453.

Sincerely,

McLeodUSA Telecommunications Services

McLeodUSA Telecommunications Services, LLC (a Windstream Company).  
4001 N. Rodney Parham Road  
Little Rock, AR 72212



## **VERIFICATION**

I, Edward J. Cadieux, state that I am Senior Regulatory Counsel for Windstream Communications, the ultimate corporate parent of McLeodUSA Telecommunications Services, L.L.C., the party in the foregoing *Notice of Discontinuance of Common Carrier Broadband Internet Access Transmission Service of McLeodUSA Telecommunications Services, L.L.C., in the Cedar Rapids, Iowa area*; that I am authorized to make this verification on behalf of McLeodUSA Telecommunications Services, L.L.C.; that I have read the foregoing notice and am familiar with the contents thereof; and that the same are true and correct to the best of my knowledge, information and belief, and are made in good faith.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct. Executed this 14<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2012.

**WINDSTREAM COMMUNICATIONS**



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By: Edward J. Cadieux

Senior Regulatory Counsel

## CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that notice of the proposed discontinuance of service as covered by the Notice of Discontinuance of Common Carrier Broadband Internet Access Transmission Service of McLeodUSA Telecommunications Services, L.L.C., in the Cedar Rapids, Iowa area as filed herein in Docket No. 02-33 was previously provided (on November 12, 2012 in Docket No. 12-355) by overnight delivery, or by First Class Mail, or by electronic filing to the following persons at the addresses listed below:

(By Overnight Courier)  
The Honorable Terry E. Branstad  
Office of the Governor  
Iowa State Capitol  
1007 East Grand Avenue  
Des Moines, IA 50319

(By Electronic Filing System)  
Iowa Utilities Board  
1375 E. Court Avenue  
Des Moines, IA 50319

(By US First Class Mail)  
Secretary of Defense  
Attn: Special Assistant for Telecommunications  
Pentagon  
Washington, D.C. 20301

(By Overnight Courier)  
Wireline Competition Bureau  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 Twelfth Street, SW  
Washington, DC 20554  
(delivery to: 9300 East Hampton Drive, Capitol Heights, MD 20743)

  
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