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400 NORTH STREET
HARRISBURG, PENNSYLVANIA 17120

Docket Nos. A-2022-3037041
A-2022-3037043
A-2022-3037044
Utility Code: 3125773

January 31, 2023

JERRY WEIKLE
WEIKLE AND CO
151 SPRING STREET NW
CONCORD NC 28025-4749

Re: Archtop Fiber LLC
Application for Approval to Offer, Render, Furnish or Supply Telecommunications
Services to the Public in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania

Dear Mr. Weikle:

Receipt is acknowledged of the Application of Archtop Fiber LLC (Applicant) for approval to offer, render, furnish, or supply telecommunications services to the public in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania as a Competitive Local Exchange Carrier (CLEC) in the service territories of Citizens Telecommunications of New York, Inc. d/b/a Frontier Communications of New York; Commonwealth Telecommunications Company d/b/a Frontier Communications Commonwealth Telephone Company; Frontier Communications of Canton, LLC; The North-Eastern Pennsylvania Telephone Company; Palmerton Telephone Company; South Canaan Telephone Company; TDS Telecom/Deposit Telephone Company; Verizon Pennsylvania LLC; and Verizon North LLC, as an Interexchange Carrier (IXC) (statewide), and as an Interexchange Carrier Reseller (IXC-R) (statewide). The Application has been reviewed and found to be in compliance with the Commission's filing requirements as set out in *Re: Implementation of the Telecommunications Act of 1996*, Docket No. M-00960799 (*Implementation Order*: June 3, 1996; and *Implementation Reconsideration Order*: September 9, 1996) (*Implementation Orders*).

This matter is being referred to the Bureau of Technical Utility Services for analysis and to schedule it for consideration by the Commission at Public Meeting.

Pursuant to the *Implementation Orders*, Applicant now has provisional authority to provide telecommunications services to the public in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania as a CLEC in the service territories of Verizon Pennsylvania LLC and Verizon North LLC pursuant to its proposed CLEC tariff, as an IXC (statewide), and as an IXC-R (statewide). However, this provisional authority may be revoked if, upon further Commission review, the Application is found to contain deficiencies.

The Application, as it pertains to CLEC authority in the service territories of any Rural Incumbent Local Exchange Carriers (RLECs) is not eligible for provisional authority under the aforementioned *Implementation Orders*. **Therefore, CLEC provisional authority is only granted concerning CLEC services in the service territories of Verizon North LLC and Verizon Pennsylvania LLC.**

Further, provisional authority carries certain obligations, such as filing an Annual Access Line Summary Report as well as collection and remittance of funds to certain entities, e.g., 9-1-1 fees, Pennsylvania Telecommunications Relay Service surcharges, etc. A list of reporting requirements may be found on our website at: http://www.puc.pa.gov/telecom/docs/Reporting_Requirements.docx

Pursuant to the Secretary's discretion, Applicant's request for a waiver is granted concerning publication in newspapers of general circulation in the applicable RLEC service territories. Per 52 Pa. Code § 5.14, the Commission's Secretary's Bureau will proceed with publishing the attached Publication Notice in the *Pennsylvania Bulletin*. Attached is a copy of the Publication Notice that will appear in the *Pennsylvania Bulletin* on Saturday, February 11, 2023.

The authorities and docket numbers assigned to this Application are as follows:

<u>Docket No.</u>	<u>Application</u>
A-2022-3037044	CLEC
A-2022-3037043	IXC
A-2022-3037041	IXC-R

If you have any questions in this matter, please contact John-Paul Rodgers, Telco Section, Bureau of Technical Utility Services at (717) 214-9115 or joh Rodgers@pa.gov.

Sincerely,



Rosemary Chiavetta
Secretary

Enclosure

cc: Service List

Service List

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**PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
NOTICE TO BE PUBLISHED**

Application of Archtop Fiber LLC for approval to offer, render, furnish or supply telecommunications services to the public as a Competitive Local Exchange Carrier in the service territories of: Citizens Telecommunications of New York, Inc. d/b/a Frontier Communications of New York; Commonwealth Telecommunications Company d/b/a Frontier Communications Commonwealth Telephone Company; Frontier Communications of Canton, LLC; The North-Eastern Pennsylvania Telephone Company; Palmerton Telephone Company; South Canaan Telephone Company; TDS Telecom/Deposit Telephone Company; Verizon Pennsylvania LLC; and Verizon North LLC. Docket Number: A-2022-3037044

Formal protests and petitions to intervene must be filed in accordance with Title 52 of the Pennsylvania Code, on or before Monday, February 27, 2023. All filings must be made with the Secretary of the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission, 400 North Street 2nd Floor, Harrisburg, PA 17120, with a copy served on the Applicant. The documents filed in support of the Application are available for inspection and copying at the Office of the Secretary between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, on the Commission's website at www.puc.pa.gov, and at the Applicant's business address.

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