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Re: Airbus DS Communications, Inc.
Application for Approval to Offer, Render, Furnish or Supply
Telecommunications Services as a Competitive Local Exchange
Carrier to the Public in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania

Dear Attorney Wright:

Receipt is acknowledged of the Application of Airbus DS Communications, Inc. (Applicant) for Approval to Offer, Render, Furnish, or Supply Telecommunications Services as a Competitive Local Exchange Carrier (CLEC), on a statewide basis, to the Public in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. The Application has been reviewed and found to be in compliance with the filing requirements of the Commission's Opinion and Order entered June 3, 1996, at Docket Number M-00960799.

The Application has been assigned to Docket No. A-2016-2537383.

Pursuant to the Commission's June 3, 1996 Order, "Implementation of the Telecommunications Act of 1996" at Docket No. M-00960799, Applicant now has provisional authority to provide telecommunications services in Pennsylvania as a CLEC in the service territories of Verizon Pennsylvania LLC and Verizon North LLC. However, this provisional authority may be revoked if, upon further Commission review, the Application is found to contain deficiencies. Provisional authority carries certain obligations for CLECs, such as filing an Annual Access Line Summary Report, as well as collection and remittance of funds to certain entities, e.g., PA Telecommunications Relay Service, Public Safety Answering Point 9-1-1 fees, etc.

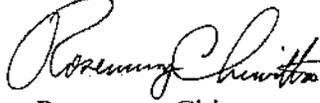
The Application, as it pertains to CLEC authority in the service territories of the remaining (rural) Incumbent Local Exchange Carriers (ILECs), is not eligible for provisional authority under said Order. Pursuant to 52 Pa. Code §5.14, the Commission will proceed with publishing the attached notice in the *Pennsylvania Bulletin*.

Attached is a copy of the Notice that will appear in the Saturday, May 21, 2016 issue of the *Pennsylvania Bulletin*. Protests and Petitions to Intervene are due to be filed no later than Monday, June 6, 2016.

Pursuant to the Secretary's discretion at 52 Pa. Code §5.14(b), Applicant's request for a waiver is granted concerning publication in newspapers of general circulation in the service territories of the rural ILECs affected by the Application.

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. Questions concerning this letter may be directed to Bryan Mahla, Telco Section, Bureau of Technical Utility Services at (717) 787-6381 or bmahla@pa.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Rosemary Chiavetta". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Rosemary Chiavetta
Secretary

Enclosure

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NOTICE TO BE PUBLISHED

Application of Airbus DS Communications, Inc. for Approval to Offer, Render, Furnish or Supply Telecommunications Services as a Competitive Local Exchange Carrier to the Public in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in the Service Territories of all Incumbent Local Exchange Carriers. Docket Number: A-2016-2537383.

Formal protests and petitions to intervene must be filed in accordance with Title 52 of the Pennsylvania Code, on or before Monday, June 6, 2016. All filings must be made with the Secretary of the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission, P. O. Box 3265, Harrisburg, PA 17105-3265, 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, and at the Applicant's business address.

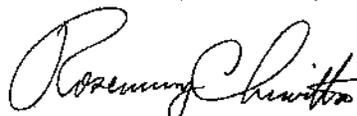
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