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Docket No. A-2024-3051366
Utility Code: 311452

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Re: Stratus Networks, Inc.
Application for Approval to Offer, Render, Furnish or Supply Telecommunications Services
to the Public in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania

Dear Ms. Blumenthal:

Receipt is acknowledged of the Application of Stratus Network, Inc. (Applicant), received September 23, 2024, 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 Brightspeed of Pennsylvania LLC, Consolidated Communications of Pennsylvania Company, Commonwealth Telephone Company d/b/a Frontier Communications Commonwealth Telephone Company, Verizon Pennsylvania LLC, Verizon North LLC and Windstream Pennsylvania LLC. 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*).

Pursuant to the *Implementation Orders*, 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 pursuant to its proposed CLEC tariff. However, this provisional authority may be revoked if, upon further Commission review, the Application is found to contain deficiencies.

Further, provisional authority carries certain obligations^[1] 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, PA 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

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.**

^[1] The requirement to collect and remit 9-1-1 fees and TRS surcharges applies to all CLECs regardless of whether the CLEC operates as a reseller or as facilities-based.

Pursuant to the Secretary's discretion, applicant's request for a waiver is granted concerning publication in newspaper 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 **March 8, 2025**.

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. 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 johrodgers@pa.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Rosemary Chiavetta", enclosed in a rectangular box.

Rosemary Chiavetta
Secretary

Enclosure

cc: Service List

Service List

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<p>Frontier Communications – Commonwealth Telephone Company LLC 37 Diller Ave. P.O. Box 1902 New Holland, PA 17557</p>	<p>Windstream c/o S. Lynn Hughes 4001 Rodney Parham RD Little Rock, AR 72212</p>	<p>Amy J. Blumenthal Kutak Rock LLP Two Logan Square 100 N. 18th Street, Suite 1920 Philadelphia, PA 19103</p>

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

Application of Stratus Network, Inc. for approval to offer, render, furnish or supply telecommunications services to the public as a Competitive Local Exchange Carrier in the service territories of: Brightspeed of Pennsylvania LLC, Consolidated Communications of Pennsylvania Company, Commonwealth Telephone Company d/b/a Frontier Communications Commonwealth Telephone Company, Verizon Pennsylvania, LLC, Verizon North LLC and Windstream Pennsylvania LLC.

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Formal protests and petitions to intervene must be filed in accordance with Title 52 of the Pennsylvania Code, on or before **March 24, 2025**. 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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