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FROM: Steven M. Olea  
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DATE: October 29, 2012

RE: **STAFF REPORT** – IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF KEVIN KNUTSON DBA ORANGE COUNTY TELECOM FOR APPROVAL TO CANCEL ITS CERTIFICATE OF CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY FOR CUSTOMER OWNED PAY TELEPHONE SERVICES. (DOCKET NO. T-04284A-12-0131)

On April 4, 2012, Kevin Knutson dba Orange County Telecom (“Company”) filed an application requesting authority to cancel its customer owned pay telephone (“COPT”) services in Arizona. The Commission granted the Company a CC&N to provide COPT services in Decision No. 67950 dated June 21, 2005.

On April 17, 2012, Staff contacted Kevin Knutson, the Company Contact of Record, to verify that he was authorized to file the Application. Mr. Knutson indicated that he was authorized to file the Application. Mr. Knutson also stated that he is not requesting a hearing in this matter to cancel the Company’s CC&N. He further indicated that the Company no longer provides COPT services in Arizona, that the Company was dissolved and that COPT assets were absorbed into Kevin Knutson dba Cryptic Communications (“Cryptic”). Mr. Knutson is the sole proprietor of Cryptic. The Commission authorized Cryptic to provide COPT services in Decision No. 67668, dated March 9, 2005.

The Compliance Section of the Utilities Division indicates that there are no delinquencies for either the Company or Cryptic.

The Consumer Services Section of the Utilities Division’s database indicated that from January 1, 2009 through April 16, 2012 there were no complaints, inquiries or opinions filed against either the Company or Cryptic.

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Staff recommends approval of the Company's request to cancel its CC&N. Staff further recommends that the cancellation not become effective until the Commission issues a decision authorizing the cancellation. Upon cancellation of its CC&N, Kevin Knutson dba Orange County Telecom will no longer be authorized to provide COPT services in Arizona and therefore, will not have to meet any of the requirements of Decision No. 67950.

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