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FROM: Steven M. Olea
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RE: **ADMINISTRATIVE CLOSURE - IN THE MATTER OF THE JOINT APPLICATION OF BUSINESS DISCOUNT PLAN, INC. AND U.S. TELECOM LONG DISTANCE, INC. FOR APPROVAL OF THE TRANSFER OF CUSTOMER BASE FROM U.S. TELECOM LONG DISTANCE, INC. TO BUSINESS DISCOUNT PLAN, INC.**

(DOCKET NOS. T-03142A-14-0086 AND T-03486A-14-0086)

On March 13, 2014, Business Discount Plan, Inc. ("BDPI") and U.S. Telecom Long Distance, Inc. ("USTLDI") (together, "Applicants") filed a joint application requesting approval from the Arizona Corporation Commission ("Commission"), to the extent required, for BDPI to acquire the Arizona customers, including customer contracts, of USTLD, through a mutually negotiated customer base acquisition.

On April 29, 2014, Staff filed its Staff Memorandum and Recommended Opinion and Order for the Commission's consideration in the May 13 and 14, 2014 Opening Meeting.

On May 6, 2014, Staff found that the Federal Communications Commission ("FCC") had released a Notice of Apparent Liability for Forfeiture ("NAL") against USTLD for apparently engaging in a variety of unjust, unreasonable and deceptive practices regarding customers' long distance telephone service. Because of this, Staff requested that the Staff Memorandum and Recommended Opinion and Order be removed from the Open Meeting Agenda so Staff could further research the matters addressed in the FCC NAL.

On May 16, 2014, the Applicants filed a letter withdrawing their Application to transfer USTLD's customer assets to BDPI.

Staff has no objection to the Applicants' request to withdraw their transfer of customer assets Application. Staff recommends administrative closure of this docket.

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