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BEFORE THE ARIZONA CORPORATION COMMISSION

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Arizona Corporation Commission

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IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION
OF TDS LONG DISTANCE
CORPORATION FOR APPROVAL OF
RESCISSION OF BOND REQUIREMENT
CONTAINED IN ARIZONA
CORPORATION COMMISSION DECISION
NO. 72722.

DOCKET NO. T-03886A-14-0391

DECISION NO. 74898

ORDER

Open Meeting
January 13 and 14, 2015
Phoenix, Arizona

BY THE COMMISSION:

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. On November 17, 2014, TDS Long Distance Company ("TDS" or "Applicant") submitted an Application requesting rescission of the \$200,000 performance bond requirement contained in Decision No. 72722.

Background

2. On December 9, 2011, in Decision No. 72722, the Arizona Corporation Commission ("ACC" or "Commission") ordered TDS to procure a performance bond or irrevocable sight draft letter of credit ("ISDLOC") equal to \$200,000, to file the original bond or ISDLOC with the Commission's Business Office and file copies with Docket Control. On January 10, 2012, TDS submitted an original performance bond to Docket Control. Staff has confirmed the Business Office is in possession of the original \$200,000 performance bond.

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1 **Compliance**

2 3. According to the Corporations Division, TDS is in good standing. The Consumer
3 Services Section of the Utilities Division reports there have been no complaints or opinions about
4 TDS for the period of January 1, 2011 to October 14, 2014. A check of the Compliance Database by
5 the Compliance Section of the Utilities Division indicates there are currently no delinquencies for
6 TDS and therefore TDS is in compliance with the Compliance Database at this time.

7 **Staff Recommendations**

8 4. The Commission has, in appropriate circumstances, relieved telecommunications
9 providers of the obligation to maintain a performance bond or ISDLOC. Staff recommends TDS be
10 relieved of the \$200,000 performance bond or ISDLOC obligation contained in Decision No. 72722.

11 5. The Applicant states that, in order to release the letter of credit, it is sufficient for the
12 Commission to include in an ordering paragraph language authorizing the Applicant to cancel, rescind,
13 discontinue and be released from the performance bond or ISDLOC required by Decision No. 72722.

14 6. TDS indicates in the Application the performance bond should be released and
15 returned to the following name and address:

16 Ms. Jennifer R. Heise
17 TDS Long Distance Corporation
18 525 Junction Rd.
19 Madison, WI 53717

19 CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

20 1. TDS Long Distance Company is a public service corporation within the meaning of
21 Article XV of the Arizona Constitution.

22 2. The Commission has jurisdiction over TDS Long Distance Company and the subject
23 matter in this filing.

24 3. The Commission, having reviewed the filing and Staff's Memorandum dated
25 December 31, 2014, concludes that it is in the public interest to approve the TDS Long Distance
26 Company Application as proposed and discussed herein.

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ORDER

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that the Application of TDS Long Distance Company to terminate the performance bond or irrevocable sight draft letter of credit requirement contained in Decision No. 72722 be and hereby is approved.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that TDS Long Distance Company may cancel, rescind, discontinue and be released from any performance bond, irrevocable sight draft letter of credit or other instrument obtained in compliance with the performance bond or irrevocable sight draft letter of credit requirements set by Decision No. 72722.

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1 IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that any performance bond on file with the Commission on
2 behalf of TDS Long Distance Company be returned to the following name and address provided by
3 the Applicant:

4 Ms. Jennifer R. Heise
5 TDS Long Distance Corporation
6 525 Junction Rd.
7 Madison, WI 53717

8 IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that this Decision shall become effective immediately.

9 BY THE ORDER OF THE ARIZONA CORPORATION COMMISSION

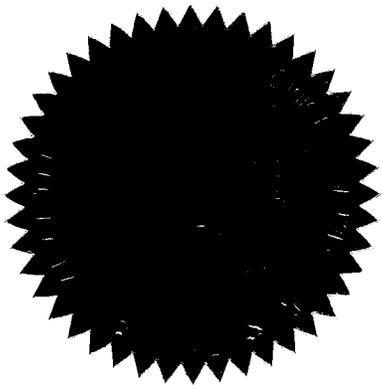
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11 CHAIRMAN

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15 IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I, JODI JERICH, Executive
16 Director of the Arizona Corporation Commission, have
17 hereunto, set my hand and caused the official seal of this
18 Commission to be affixed at the Capitol, in the City of
19 Phoenix, this 21st day of January, 2015.

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20 JODI JERICH
21 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

22 DISSENT: _____

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