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DATE: July 18, 2016

RE: **APPLICATION CANCELLATION** - IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF NEW CENTURY TELECOM, INC., TO CANCEL THEIR CC&N. (DOCKET NO. T-03462A-16-0086)

Attached is the Staff Report for the above referenced application for approval to cancel its Certificate of Convenience and Necessity ("CC&N") to provide the following services:

- Competitive Resold Local Exchange Services

Staff recommends cancellation of the CC&N.

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Originator: Lori Morrison

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NEW CENTURY TELECOM, INC.
DOCKET NO. T-03462A-16-0086

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF NEW CENTURY TELECOM, INC., TO
CANCEL THEIR CC&N

JUNE 30, 2016

STAFF ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

The Staff Report for the application of New Century Telecom, Inc., Docket No. T-03462A-16-0086, for approval to cancel their Certificate of Convenience and Necessity was the responsibility of the staff member listed below. Lori Morrison was responsible for the review and analysis of the application.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Lori Morrison", is written above a horizontal line.

Lori Morrison
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INTRODUCTION

On March 7, 2016, New Century Telecom, Inc. (“NCTI” or “Applicant”) filed a letter with the Arizona Corporation Commission to request cancellation of its Certificate of Convenience and Necessity (“CC&N”) to provide resold interexchange telecommunications within the State of Arizona.

BACKGROUND

On April 17, 2002, in Decision No. 63303, the Commission granted NCTI a CC&N to provide resold interexchange telecommunications services within the State of Arizona. Since NCTI did not collect advanced payments, deposits or prepayments from its customers, no bond was required.

STAFF’S ANALYSIS

In its February 10, 2016 filing, NCTI states it has not conducted any business and has no customers in Arizona since June 30, 2015. On March 17, 2016, Staff emailed NCTI a First Set of Data Requests (“First SDR”). Staff also called NCTI to verify that the First SDR had been received but NCTI’s telephone number had been disconnected and was no longer a working number. Subsequent calls to the same telephone number rang over ten times and then the calls were disconnected. On April 5, 2016, Staff sent a certified letter with First SDR attached to NCTI. On April 25, 2016 a certified letter was returned as not deliverable as addressed and unable to forward.

The Compliance Section reports that there are no current compliance delinquencies for NCTI. The Consumer Services Section of the Utilities Division reports from January 1, 2012 through March 21, 2016, there have been zero (0) complaints, inquiries, or opinions filed for NCTI. According to the Corporations Division, NCTI is not in good standing for failure to file its Annual Corporations Report on April 25, 2016. NCTI last filed an annual report with the Utilities Division on June 12, 2015.

RECOMMENDATION

NCTI is not currently providing resold interexchange telecommunications services to any telecommunications customers in Arizona, it never collected deposits, advances or prepayments from Arizona customers and it has no affiliates that provide telecommunications services in Arizona. As such, Staff recommends that NCTI’s CC&N to provide resold interexchange telecommunications services be cancelled as well as its corresponding tariff. Upon cancellation of its CC&N, NCTI will no longer be authorized to provide resold local exchange telecommunications services in Arizona and no longer be subject to the requirements of Decision No. 63303.