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# SNET AMERICA, INC. (CANCEL CC&N)

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# AUGUST 15, 2017 AND AUGUST 16, 2017

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#### 1 BEFORE THE ARIZONA CORPORATION COMMISSION 2 COMMISSIONERS 3 TOM FORESE - Chairman **BOB BURNS** DOUG LITTLE ANDY TOBIN 5 BOYD W. DUNN 6 IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF DOCKET NO. T-03116A-17-0146 SNET AMERICA, INC. FOR APPROVAL TO DECISION NO. REQUEST VOLUNTARY DECERTIFICATION AND SURRENDERING OF OPERATING AUTHORITY OF SNET AMERICA, INC. ORDER 9 10 Open Meeting August 15 and 16, 2017 11 Phoenix, Arizona 12 BY THE COMMISSION: 13 Having considered the entire record herein and being fully advised in the premises, the Arizona Corporation Commission ("Commission") finds, concludes, and orders that: 14 15 FINDINGS OF FACT On July 30, 1997, the Commission issued Decision No. 60314, granting SNET America, 16 1. 17 Inc. ("SNET") a Certificate of Convenience and Necessity ("CC&N") to provide competitive interLATA/intraLATA resold telecommunications services, except local exchange services, within the 18 19 State of Arizona. On May 19, 2017, SNET filed an application for approval to cancel its CC&N to provide 20 2. telecommunications services within the State of Arizona. 21 22 3. On June 1, 2017, SNET filed its responses to the Commission's first set of data requests. 23 On June 2, 2017, and June 7, 2017, SNET filed its responses to the Commission's 4. 24 second set of data requests. On June 29, 2017, the Commission's Utilities Division ("Staff") filed a Staff Report 25 5. 26 recommending approval of SNET's application. 27 6. Staff states that the Commission's Consumer Services Section reported there have been

no complaints, inquiries or opinions filed against Network between January 1, 2014, and May 25, 2017.

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According to the Commission's Corporations Division, SNET is in Good Standing.	SNET filed its			
2016 Annual Utilities Report on May 16, 2017, and the Commission's Compliance Section reports that				
there are no current compliance delinquencies for SNET.				

- 7. Pursuant to Arizona Administrative Code ("A.A.C.") R14-2-1107(A)(2), telecommunications companies are required to provide notice to all affected customers when they intend to discontinue services. Further, A.A.C. R14-2-1107(B) requires that telecommunications companies publish legal notice of their intent to discontinue service.
- 8. In its application, SNET stated it never had any customers in Arizona and requests a waiver of the notice of discontinuance of service to customers.
- Staff recommends the notice and publication requirements contained in A.A.C. R14-2-1107 be waived.
- 10. Staff further recommends approval of SNET's application to cancel its CC&N and further recommends cancellation of SNET's tariff on file with the Commission.
- Staff's recommendations to waive the notice and publication requirements of A.A.C.
   R14-2-1107 and to approve SNET's application are reasonable and should be adopted.

## **CONCLUSIONS OF LAW**

- SNET is a public service corporation within the meaning of Article XV of the Arizona Constitution and A.R.S. §§ 40-281, 40-282 and 40-285.
  - 2. The Commission has jurisdiction over SNET and the subject matter of the application.
- The cancellation of SNET's CC&N to provide resold telecommunications services within the State of Arizona is in the public interest.
- 4. Granting waiver of the notice and publication requirements set forth in A.A.C. R14-2-1107(A)-(B) is reasonable in this matter.
  - 5. Staff's recommendations are reasonable and should be adopted.

### ORDER

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that SNET America, Inc.'s application to cancel its Certificate of Convenience and Necessity to provide resold interexchange telecommunications services within the State of Arizona is hereby approved.

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1	IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that SNET America, Inc. is hereby granted a waiver of the notice				
2	and publication requirements set forth in A.A.C. R14-2-1107(A)-(B).				
3	IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that SNET America, Inc.'s tariffs on file with the Arizona				
4	Corporation Commission are hereby cancelled and SNET America, Inc. is no longer subject to the				
5	requirements in Decision No. 60314.				
6	IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that this Decision shall become effective immediately.				
7	BY ORDER OF THE ARIZONA CORPORATION COMMISSION.				
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10	CHAIRMAN FORESE COMMISSIONER DUNN				
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12	COMMISSIONER TOBIN COMMISSIONER LITTLE COMMISSIONER BURNS				
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14	IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I, TED VOGT, Executive Director of the Arizona Corporation Commission, have hereunto set my				
15	hand and caused the official seal of the Commission to be affixed at the Capitol, in the City of Phoenix, thisday				
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