The Public Utilities Commission of Ohio

TELECOMMUNICATIONS FILING FORM

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This form is intended to be used with most types of required filings. It provides check boxes with rule references for the most common types of filings. It does not replace or supersede Commission rules in any way.

In the Matter of the Application of	Global Connection Inc. of America) TRF D	ocket No. 90 -	
to Abandon all Wireline Services as Services Certificate and Tariff	nd for the Cancellation of Its Wireline) NOTE:	No. 19 - 0633 - TP - ABN Unless you have reserved a Case #, leave No" fields BLANK.	the
Name of Registrant(s) Global Co	onnection Inc. of America			
DBA(s) of Registrant(s) <u>n/a for v</u>	wireline services (Stand Up Wireless for v	vireless services)		
Address of Registrant(s) 5555 Oa	akbrook Parkway, Suite 620, Norcross, G	A 30093		
Company Web Address www.com	nnectwithglobal.com			
Regulatory Contact Person(s) Eric	c Schimpf, COO	Phone (678) 741	-6245 Fax	
Regulatory Contact Person's Email	Address eschimpf@standupwireless.co	om		
Contact Person for Annual Report	Eric Schimpf, COO		Phone (678) 741-6245	
Address (if different from above)				
Consumer Contact Information	Eric Schimpf, COO		Phone. (678) 741-6245	
Address (if different from above)	•			
Motion for protective order include Motion for waiver(s) filed affecting	ed with filing? ☐ Yes ☑ No g this case? ☐ Yes ☑ No [Note: Waiver	s may toll any auto	omatic timeframe.]	

Notes:

Section I and II are Pursuant to Ohio Administrative Code 4901:1-6.

Section III – Carrier to Carrier is Pursuant to Ohio Adm.Code <u>4901:1-7</u>, and Wireless is Pursuant to Ohio Adm.Code <u>4901:1-6-24</u>. Section IV – Attestation.

- (1) Indicate the Carrier Type and the reason for submitting this form by checking the boxes below.
- (2) For requirements for various applications, see the identified section of Ohio Adm.Code Chapter 4901 and/or the supplemental application form noted.
- (3) Information regarding the number of copies required by the PUCO may be obtained from the PUCO's website at www.PUCO.ohio.gov under the docketing information system section, by calling the docketing division at 614-466-4095, or by visiting the docketing division at the offices of the PUCO.
- (4) An Incumbent Local Exchange Carrier (ILEC) offering basic local exchange service (BLES) outside its traditional service area should choose CLEC designation when proposing to offer BLES outside its traditional service area or when proposing to make changes to that service.

All filings that result in a change to one or more tariff pages require, at a minimum, the following exhibits:

Exhibit	Description:
A	The tariff pages subject to the proposed change(s) as they exist before the change(s).
В	The tariff pages subject to the proposed change(s), reflecting the change, with the change(s) marked in the right margin.
С	A short description of the nature of the change(s), the intent of the change(s), and the customers affected.
D	A copy of the notice provided to customers, along with an affidavit that the notice was provided according to the applicable rule(s).

Note: This filing is made to request cancellation of the Company's certificate and tariff. Upon approval, the Company's tariff will cease to exist. For this reason, no exhibit with revised tariff pages is appended.

Section I – Part I - Common Filings

Carrier Type Other (explain below)	For Profit ILEC	Not For Profit ILEC	CLEC
Change terms & conditions of existing BLES	ATA <u>1-6-14(H)</u> (Auto 30 days)	☐ ATA <u>1-6-14(H)</u> (Auto 30 days)	ATA <u>1-6-14(H)</u> (Auto 30 days)
Introduce non-recurring charge, surcharge, or fee to BLES			ATA <u>1-6-14(H)</u> (Auto 30 days)
Introduce or Increase Late Payment	ATA <u>1-6-14(I)</u> (Auto 30 days)	ATA <u>1-6-14(I)</u> (Auto 30 days)	ATA <u>1-6-14(1)</u> (Auto 30 days)
Revisions to BLES Cap	ZTA <u>1-6-14(F)</u> (0 day Notice)		
Introduce BLES or expand local service area (calling area)	☐ ZTA <u>1-6-14(H)</u> (0 day Notice)	☐ ZTA <u>1-6-14(H)</u> (0 day Notice)	☐ ZTA <u>1-6-14(H)</u> (0 day Notice)
Notice of no obligation to construct facilities and provide BLES	☐ ZTA <u>1-6-27(C)</u> (0 day Notice)	☐ ZTA <u>1-6-27(C)</u> (0 day Notice)	
Change BLES Rates	☐ TRF <u>1-6-14(F)</u> (0 day Notice)	☐ TRF <u>1-6-14(F)(4)</u> (0 day Notice)	☐ TRF <u>1-6-14(G)</u> (0 day Notice)
To obtain BLES pricing flexibility	BLS <u>1-6-14(C)(1)(c)</u> (Auto 30 days)		
Change in boundary	ACB <u>1-6-32</u> (Auto 14 days)	☐ ACB <u>1-6-32</u> (Auto 14 days)	
Expand service operation area			\square TRF <u>1-6-08(G)</u> (0 day)
BLES withdrawal			☐ZTA <u>1-6-25(B)</u> (0 day Notice)
Other* (explain)			

Section I – Part II – Customer Notification Offerings Pursuant to Chapter 4901:1-6-7 OAC

Type of Notice	Direct Mail	Bill Insert	Bill Notation	Electronic Mail	
☐ 15-day Notice					
✓ 30-day Notice	V				
Date Notice Sent: February 25-27, 2019					

Section I – Part III –IOS Offerings Pursuant to Chapter 4901:1-6-22 OAC

IOS	Introduce New	Tariff Change	Price Change	Withdraw
□ IOS				

Section II - Part I - Carrier Certification - Pursuant to Chapter 4901:1-6-08, 09 & 10 OAC

Certification	ILEC (Out of territory)	CLEC	Telecommunications Service Provider Not Offering Local	CESTC	CETC
* See Supplemental form	ACE <u>1-6-08</u> * (Auto 30- day)	*(Auto 30 day)	ACE <u>1-6-08</u> *(Auto 30 day)	ACE <u>1-6-10</u> (Auto 30 day)	UNC <u>1-6-09</u> *(Non-Auto)

^{*}Supplemental Certification forms can be found on the PUCO webpage.

Section II - Part II - Certificate Status & Procedural

Certificate Status	ILEC	CLEC	Telecommunications Service Provider Not Offering Local
Abandon all Services		✓ ABN <u>1-6-26</u> (Auto 30 days)	☐ ABN <u>1-6-26</u> (Auto 30 days)
Change of Official Name *	ACN <u>1-6-29(B)</u> (Auto 30 days)	ACN <u>1-6-29(B)</u> (Auto 30 days)	☐ CIO <u>1-6-29(C)</u> (0 day Notice)
Change in Ownership *	ACO <u>1-6-29(E)</u> (Auto 30 days)	ACO <u>1-6-29(E)</u> (Auto 30 days)	CIO <u>1-6-29(C)</u> (0 day Notice)
Merger *	AMT <u>1-6-29(E)</u> (Auto 30 days)	AMT <u>1-6-29(E)</u> (Auto 30 days)	CIO <u>1-6-29(C)</u> (0 day Notice)
Transfer a Certificate *	ATC <u>1-6-29(B)</u> (Auto 30 days)	ATC <u>1-6-29(B)</u> (Auto 30 days)	CIO <u>1-6-29(C)</u> (0 day Notice)
Transaction for transfer or lease of property, plant or business *	ATR <u>1-6-29(B)</u> (Auto 30 days)	ATR <u>1-6-29(B)</u> (Auto 30 days)	CIO <u>1-6-29(C)</u> (0 day Notice)

^{*}Other exhibits may be required under the applicable rule(s). ACN, ACO, AMT, ATC, ATR and CIO applications see the 4901:1-6-29 Filing Requirements on the PUCO's webpage for a complete list of exhibits.

Section III – Carrier to Carrier (Pursuant to 4901:1-7), and Wireless (Pursuant to 4901:1-6-24)

Carrier to Carrier	ILEC	CLEC
Interconnection agreement, or amendment to an approved agreement	□ NAG <u>1-7-07</u> (Auto 90 day)	□ NAG <u>1-7-07</u> (Auto 90 day)
Request for Arbitration	□ ARB <u>1-7-09</u> (Non-Auto)	☐ ARB <u>1-7-09</u> (Non-Auto)
Introduce or change c-t-c service tariffs	☐ATA <u>1-7-14</u> (Auto 30 days)	ATA <u>1-7-14</u> (Auto 30 days)
Request rural carrier exemption, rural carrier suspension or modification	UNC <u>1-7-04</u> or 05 (Non-Auto)	
Changes in rates, terms & conditions to Pole Attachment, Conduit Occupancy and Rights-of-Way. (13-579-AU-ORD 11/30/16 Entry)	ATA <u>1-3-04</u> (Auto 60 days)	
Wireless Providers See 4901:1-6-24	☐RCC [Registration & Change in Operations] (0 day)	☐ NAG [Interconnection Agreement or Amendment] (Auto 90 days)

Registrant hereby attests to its compliance with pertinent entries and orders issued by the Commission.

AFFIDAVIT

File document electronically as directed in case number 06-900-AU-WVR

Send your completed Application Form, including all required attachments as well as the required number of copies, to:

Public Utilities Commission of Ohio Attention: Docketing Division 180 East Broad Street, Columbus, OH 43215-3793

Attachment

Global Connection Inc. of America Abandonment of Wireline Telecommunications Services

Global Connection Inc. of America (Global or the Company) submits this filing to notify the Ohio Public Utilities Commission (Commission) of its intention to discontinue provision of wireline telecommunications services in Ohio and to request that the Company's intrastate Ohio wireline telecommunications authority and associated tariff be cancelled on or after May 4, 2019.

Discontinuance of Service

At this time, Global has only three customers in Ohio for its wireline services. The Company has provided these customers with at least forty-five (45) days' notice of service discontinuance.¹ A copy of this notice is appended.

Cancellation of Telecommunications Authority and Tariff

The Commission granted Global authority to provide competitive intrastate wireline telecommunications services in Ohio on August 25, 2004 in Docket No. 04-0866-TP-ACE.² After extensive assessment of the market, Global has determined that its strategic business plans in Ohio do not include the continued provision of wireline telecommunications services.³ The Company's surrender of its authority will have no adverse consequences for consumers in Ohio as they have access to a range of alternative providers and services.

This filing applies solely to Global's wireline operations in Ohio. <u>Global will continue to operate as a wireless carrier</u> <u>and wireless ETC in the State.</u>

Please contact Winafred Brantl of Kelley Drye & Warren, LLP at (202) 945-6649 or via email at wbrantl@kelleydrye.com if you have any questions concerning this matter.

The discontinuances are scheduled to occur on dates beginning with April 17, 2019 and concluding on May 3, 2019. The Company intends to time the discontinuances based upon each customer's prepaid monthly service period. <u>Each customer has been sent a notice identifying the specific date on which his or her discontinuance is scheduled.</u>

Global also operates in Ohio as a provider of commercial mobile radio services (CMRS) under the d/b/a Stand Up Wireless and was designated by the Commission as a Lifeline-only wireless Eligible Telecommunications Carrier (ETC) on May 15, 2013 in Docket No. 12-2253-TP-UNC.

Global is also discontinuing provision of interstate wireline services to Ohio customers and has made the appropriate filing with the Federal Communications Commission. Pursuant to 47 C.F.R. § 63.71(a), the Commission has been served with a copy of the Company's application for discontinuance of interstate wireline service.





5555 Oakbrook Parkway Suite 620 Norcross, GA 30093



February 25, 2019

[Customer Name] [Customer Address] [City, State Zip]

Notice of Discontinuance of Your Telephone Service by Global Connection Inc. of America

Dear Global Connection Customer:

We regret to inform you that we are preparing to discontinue the provision of wireline local and long distance telephone services in [State]. As a result, subject to receipt of required regulatory approvals, your Global Connection Real Home Phone service will be discontinued on or shortly after [DATE].

In order to avoid a disruption in telephone service, you must make arrangements to receive service from a new telephone company before [DATE]. Please note, you will have one or more service renewal dates, the last being on [DATE]. If you continue to renew your service by those renewal dates, you will continue to have telephone service until your Last Service Date of [DATE].

As always, you may choose <u>not</u> to renew your service on or by your upcoming renewal date(s) and instead terminate your service at that time.

If your account is set up for Automatic Renewal, the service will be renewed on [DATE], unless you contact the Call Center at the number below.

If you do not arrange to have your telephone service provided by a new telephone company prior to your Last Service Date, you will lose telephone service (which means that you will be unable to make local calls including 911) and you may not be able to keep your current telephone number(s) with the new service provider. We urge you not to delay in arranging for a new service provider, as some carriers may require several weeks to install new services. To help avoid any lapse in your service, please check carefully that all services you currently receive from Global Connection, including both local and long distance services, are moved to your new carrier.

The names and telephone numbers of local telephone service companies, which also typically provide long distance service, should be listed in your telephone directory. Customer service representatives at these companies will help you to select services to most effectively replace your current Global Connection service. We also enclose a list of providers that may be operating in your area. If you arrange for new service before your Global Connection service is



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terminated and wish to keep your current telephone number(s), please be sure to address this with your new service provider.

Global Connections offers prepaid wireless service under the brand StandUp Wireless. You have the option of selecting an Unlimited Talk, Unlimited Text and 1 Gigabyte of Mobile data for Twenty dollars per month. The plan includes long distance calling, voicemail and standard features for a significant discount to your current landline service. If you would like to purchase this option as an alternative to your landline service, or have questions please call us at 800-551-7993

The Federal Communications Commission requires us to provide you with the following notice in connection with its review of the proposed discontinuance:

The FCC will normally authorize this proposed discontinuance of service unless it is shown that customers would be unable to receive service or a reasonable substitute from another carrier or that the public convenience and necessity is otherwise adversely affected. If you wish to object, you should file your comments as soon as possible, but no later than 15 days after the Commission releases public notice of the proposed discontinuance. You may file your comments electronically through the FCC's Electronic Comment Filing System using the docket number established in the Commission's public notice for this proceeding, or you may address them to the Federal Communications Commission, Wireline Competition Bureau, Competition Policy Division, Washington, DC 20554, and include in your comments a reference to the § 63.71 Application of Global Connection Inc. of America. Comments should include specific information about the impact of this proposed discontinuance upon you or your company, including any inability to acquire reasonable substitute service.

We thank you for being a Global Connection customer and remain committed to making your service transition as smooth as possible. If you have any further questions regarding the discontinuance of our services in [State], please contact Global Connection Customer Service at 800-551-7993.

Sincerely,
Global Connection Inc. of America

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Case No(s). 19-0633-TP-ABN

Summary: Application of Global Connection Inc. of America to Abandon all Wireline Services and for the Cancellation of its Wireline Services Certificate and Tariff electronically filed by Ms. Winafred R Brantl on behalf of Global Connection Inc. of America