BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

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In the Matter of the Application of Global Connection Inc. of America to Abandon its Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity Case No.19-0633-TP-ABN

REVIEW AND RECOMMENDATION SUBMITTED ON BEHALF OF THE STAFF OF THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

On March 13, 2019, Global Connection Inc. of America (Applicant) filed an application to abandon all telecommunications services and relinquish its certificate 90-9261 pursuant to Ohio Adm. Code 4901:1-6-26. The Applicant received certification as a competitive local exchange carrier (CLEC) in the state of Ohio on August 25, 2004 under case number 04-866-TP-ACE.

The Applicant offered competitive local exchange and interexchange services to business and residential customers. Customer notices were sent February 25-27, 2019 to affected customers advising of their need to find another telephone company. The Applicant has three residential customers residing in Columbus, Cleveland, and Nelsonville. These three customers must find an alternative provider by April 17, May 1, and May 3, 2019, respectively.

Absent full or partial suspension, abandonment applications will be approved in accordance with the thirty-day automatic approval process described in rule 4901:1-6-05 of the O.A.C. The Staff reviewed all documents filed with this application and has determined that the proposed application appears to satisfy the Commission's requirements set forth in 4901:1-6-26 of the Ohio Administrative Code. Staff recommends that this application be approved on April 12, 2019 with a **company requested effective date of May 4, 2019**. After the effective date, Staff will cancel Certificate No. 90-9261 and the associated TRF docket within ten business days.

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