## BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

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In the Matter of the Application of CommApp Technologies LLC to Abandon its Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity Case No. 20-0592-TP-ABN

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

On March 12, 2020 CommApp Technologies LLC (Applicant) filed an application to abandon all telecommunications services and relinquish its Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity (CPCN), 90-6428, pursuant to Ohio Adm.Code 4901:1-6-26. The Applicant received certification as an Inmate Operator Service (IOS) provider in the state of Ohio on October 16, 2018, under case number 18-1408-TP-ACE.

The Applicant is relinquishing its CPCN because it has never had any customers in Ohio. The Applicant is relinquishing its CPCNs in all but three states in which it has authority to operate. Since the Applicant never had customers in Ohio customer notices were unnecessary.

This application is being filed pursuant to Ohio Adm.Code 4901:1-6-26. Absent full or partial suspension, an application abandoning operations are approved in accordance with the thirty-day automatic approval process set forth in Ohio Adm.Code 4901:1-6-05 of the O.A.C. However, on March 16, 2020, in response to the COVID-19 pandemic, an attorney examiner entry was issued in Case No. 20-591-AU-UNC, that tolled any pending application or other filing during the state of emergency and during the 14 days thereafter. During that time, Commission staff are to continue investigating pending applications and the Commission will act on such applications on a case-by-case basis. As such, the approval of this application remains pending until the Commission acts upon it.

Staff reviewed all documents and exhibits filed with this application and has determined that the proposed application appears to satisfy the Commission's requirements set forth in Ohio Adm.Code 4901:1-6-26. Therefore, staff recommends that this application be approved in accordance with the attorney examiner entry issued on March 16, 2020 in Case No. 20-0591-AU-UNC. Upon approval of the application, staff will cancel Certificate No. 90-6428 and the associated TRF docket within ten business days of the approval.

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