



November 2, 2011
Via Electronic Filing

Ms. Renee Jenkins, Commission Secretary
Ohio Public Utilities Commission
180 East Broad Street
Columbus, OH 43215

RE: **Case No.: 11-5583-TP-CIO**
In the Matter of the Application of **Business Telecom, Inc. d/b/a BTI Telecommunications Services** to Change Trade Name to EarthLink Business

Dear Ms. Jenkins:

Please accept this Application as notification that Business Telecom, Inc. d/b/a BTI Telecommunications Services is changing the name under which it provides interexchange telecommunications services within the state of Ohio to Business Telecom, Inc. d/b/a EarthLink Business. Effective with this filing, the Company will continue to provide traditional telecommunications services under the EarthLink Business trade name.

This change is transparent to the customer as it is simply the adoption of a new trade name and will not affect the rates, terms or conditions of services currently provided to the Company's Ohio customers. All customers were notified of the new trade name via a bill message. The Company respectfully requests this filing to become effective on November 3, 2011.

Please acknowledge receipt of this filing by sending a stamped copy of this filing via email to tforte@tminc.com. Questions regarding this filing should be directed to my attention at 407-740-3001 or via email to tforte@tminc.com.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Sincerely,

/s/ Thomas M. Forte

Thomas M. Forte
Consultant to Business Telecom, Inc.

cc: Mary Whiting (via Email) - EarthLink - BTI
file: EarthLink - BTI - Ohio - Other
tms: OHx1101

Enclosures
TF/mw

The Public Utilities Commission of Ohio
TELECOMMUNICATIONS FILING FORM

(Effective: 01/20/2011)

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 Business Telecom,)
Inc. d/b/a BTI Telecommunications Services)
To Change Trade Name to EarthLink Business)

TRF Docket No. 90-5193

Case No. 11- 5583-TP-CIO

NOTE: Unless you have reserved a Case #, leave the "Case No" fields BLANK.

Name of Registrant(s) Business Telecom, Inc.
DBA(s) of Registrant(s) d/b/a BTI Telecommunications Services
Address of Registrant(s) 1375 Peachtree Street, Level A, Atlanta, Georgia 30309
Company Web Address www.earthlinkbusiness.com
Regulatory Contact Person(s) Mary Whiting, Director-Regulatory Compliance Phone 616-988-7028 Fax 616-988-0466
Regulatory Contact Person's Email Address mwhiting@corp.earthlink.com
Contact Person for Annual Report Mary Whiting, Director-Regulatory Compliance Phone 616-988-7028
Address (if different from above) 2610 Horizon Drive SE, Suite B, Grand Rapids, Michigan 49546
Consumer Contact Information Customer Support, Business Telecom, Inc. Phone 800-239-3000
Address (if different from above) PO Box 1301, Arab, Alabama 35016

Motion for protective order included with filing? ☐ Yes ☒ No

Motion for waiver(s) filed affecting this case? ☐ Yes ☒ No [Note: Waivers may toll any automatic timeframe.]

Notes:

Section I and II are Pursuant to Chapter 4901:1-6 OAC

Section III – Carrier to Carrier is Pursuant to 4901:1-7 OAC, and Wireless is Pursuant to 4901:1-6-24 OAC.

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 Administrative Code Section 4901 and/or the supplemental application form noted.

(3) Information regarding the number of copies required by the Commission may be obtained from the Commission's web site 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 Commission.

(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)
B	The Tariff pages subject to the proposed change(s), reflecting the change, with the change(s) marked in the right margin.
C	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).

Section I – Part I - Common Filings

Carrier Type <input type="checkbox"/> Other (explain below)	<input type="checkbox"/> For Profit ILEC	<input type="checkbox"/> Not For Profit ILEC	<input type="checkbox"/> CLEC
Change terms & conditions of existing BLES	<input type="checkbox"/> ATA <u>1-6-14(H)</u> (Auto 30 days)	<input type="checkbox"/> ATA <u>1-6-14(H)</u> (Auto 30 days)	<input type="checkbox"/> ATA <u>1-6-14(H)</u> (Auto 30 days)
Introduce non-recurring charge, surcharge, or fee to BLES			<input type="checkbox"/> ATA <u>1-6-14(H)</u> (Auto 30 days)
Introduce or Increase Late Payment	<input type="checkbox"/> ATA <u>1-6-14(I)</u> (Auto 30 days)	<input type="checkbox"/> ATA <u>1-6-14(I)</u> (Auto 30 days)	<input type="checkbox"/> ATA <u>1-6-14(I)</u> (Auto 30 days)
Revisions to BLES Cap.	<input type="checkbox"/> ZTA <u>1-6-14(F)</u> (0 day Notice)		
Introduce BLES or expand local service area (calling area)	<input type="checkbox"/> ZTA <u>1-6-14(H)</u> (0 day Notice)	<input type="checkbox"/> ZTA <u>1-6-14(H)</u> (0 day Notice)	<input type="checkbox"/> ZTA <u>1-6-14(H)</u> (0 day Notice)
Notice of no obligation to construct facilities and provide BLES	<input type="checkbox"/> ZTA <u>1-6-27(C)</u> (0 day Notice)	<input type="checkbox"/> ZTA <u>1-6-27(C)</u> (0 day Notice)	
Change BLES Rates	<input type="checkbox"/> TRF <u>1-6-14(F)</u> (0 day Notice)	<input type="checkbox"/> TRF <u>1-6-14(F)(4)</u> (0 day Notice)	<input type="checkbox"/> TRF <u>1-6-14(G)</u> (0 day Notice)
To obtain BLES pricing flexibility	<input type="checkbox"/> BLS <u>1-6-14(C)(1)(c)</u> (Auto 30 days)		
Change in boundary	<input type="checkbox"/> ACB <u>1-6-32</u> (Auto 14 days)	<input type="checkbox"/> ACB <u>1-6-32</u> (Auto 14 days)	
Expand service operation area			<input type="checkbox"/> TRF <u>1-6-08(G)(0 day)</u>
BLES withdrawal			<input type="checkbox"/> 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
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 15-day Notice	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/> 30-day Notice	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Date Notice Sent:				

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

IOS	Introduce New	Tariff Change	Price Change	Withdraw
<input type="checkbox"/> IOS	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

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

Certification	ILEC (Out of Territory)	CLEC	Carrier's Not Offering BLES	CESTC	CETC
* See Supplemental form	<input type="checkbox"/> ACE <u>1-6-08</u> * (Auto 30- day)	<input type="checkbox"/> ACE <u>1-6-08</u> * (Auto 30 day)	<input type="checkbox"/> ACE <u>1-6-08</u> * (Auto 30 day)	<input type="checkbox"/> ACE <u>1-6-10</u> (Auto 30 day)	<input type="checkbox"/> UNC <u>1-6-09</u> * (Non-Auto)

*Supplemental Certification forms can be found on the Commission Web Page.

Section II – Part II – Certificate Status & Procedural

Certificate Status	ILEC	CLEC	Carrier's Not Offering BLES
Abandon all Services		<input type="checkbox"/> ABN <u>1-6-26</u> (Auto 30 days)	<input type="checkbox"/> ABN <u>1-6-26</u> (Auto 30 days)
Change of Official Name *	<input type="checkbox"/> ACN <u>1-6-29(B)</u> (Auto 30 days)	<input type="checkbox"/> ACN <u>1-6-29(B)</u> (Auto 30 days)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> CIO <u>1-6-29(C)</u> (0 day Notice)
Change in Ownership *	<input type="checkbox"/> ACO <u>1-6-29(E)</u> (Auto 30 days)	<input type="checkbox"/> ACO <u>1-6-29(E)</u> (Auto 30 days)	<input type="checkbox"/> CIO <u>1-6-29(C)</u> (0 day Notice)
Merger *	<input type="checkbox"/> AMT <u>1-6-29(E)</u> (Auto 30 days)	<input type="checkbox"/> AMT <u>1-6-29(E)</u> (Auto 30 days)	<input type="checkbox"/> CIO <u>1-6-29(C)</u> (0 day Notice)
Transfer a Certificate *	<input type="checkbox"/> ATC <u>1-6-29(B)</u> (Auto 30 days)	<input type="checkbox"/> ATC <u>1-6-29(B)</u> (Auto 30 days)	<input type="checkbox"/> CIO <u>1-6-29(C)</u> (0 day Notice)
Transaction for transfer or lease of property, plant or business *	<input type="checkbox"/> ATR <u>1-6-29(B)</u> (Auto 30 days)	<input type="checkbox"/> ATR <u>1-6-29(B)</u> (Auto 30 days)	<input type="checkbox"/> 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 Commission's Web Page 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	<input type="checkbox"/> NAG <u>1-7-07</u> (Auto 90 day)	<input type="checkbox"/> NAG <u>1-7-07</u> (Auto 90 day)
Request for Arbitration	<input type="checkbox"/> ARB <u>1-7-09</u> (Non-Auto)	<input type="checkbox"/> ARB <u>1-7-09</u> (Non-Auto)
Introduce or change c-t-c service tariffs,	<input type="checkbox"/> ATA <u>1-7-14</u> (Auto 30 day)	<input type="checkbox"/> ATA <u>1-7-14</u> (Auto 30 day)
Request rural carrier exemption, rural carrier suspension or modification	<input type="checkbox"/> UNC <u>1-7-04 or 05</u> (Non-Auto)	
Changes in rates, terms & conditions to Pole Attachment, Conduit Occupancy and Rights- of-Way.	<input type="checkbox"/> UNC <u>1-7-23(B)</u> (Non-Auto)	
Wireless Providers See <u>4901:1-6-24</u>	<input type="checkbox"/> RCC [Registration & Change in Operations]	<input type="checkbox"/> NAG [Interconnection Agreement or

Section IV. – Attestation

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

AFFIDAVIT
Compliance with Commission Rules

I am an agent of the applicant corporation, Business Telecom, Inc. and am authorized to make this statement on its behalf.

Please Check ALL that apply:

☐ I attest that these tariffs comply with all applicable rules for the state of Ohio. I understand that tariff notification filings do not imply Commission approval and that the Commission's rules as modified and clarified from time to time, supersede any contradictory provisions in our tariff. We will fully comply with the rules of the state of Ohio and understand that noncompliance can result in various penalties, including the suspension of our certificate to operate within the state of Ohio.

☒ I attest that customer notices accompanying this filing form were sent to affected customers, as specified in Section II, in accordance with Rule 4901:1-6-7, Ohio Administrative Code.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed on (Date): November 2, 2011 at (Location): Maitland, Florida

/s/Thomas M. Forte
Consultant to Business Telecom, Inc.
*(Signature and Title)

November 2, 2011
(Date)

- *This affidavit is required for every tariff-affecting filing. It may be signed by counsel or an officer of the applicant, or an authorized agent of the applicant.*

VERIFICATION

I, Thomas M. Forte verify that I have utilized the Telecommunications Filing Form for most proceedings provided by the Commission and that all of the information submitted here, and all additional information submitted in connection with this case, is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

/s/Thomas M. Forte
Consultant to Business Telecom, Inc.
*(Signature and Title)

November 2, 2011
(Date)

**Verification is required for every filing. It may be signed by counsel or an officer of the applicant, or an authorized agent of the applicant.*

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

Or

Make such filing electronically as directed in Case No 06-900-AU-WVR

BUSINESS TELECOM, INC.

EXHIBIT A

EXISTING TARIFF PAGES

Not Applicable
Company is Detariffed

BUSINESS TELECOM, INC.

EXHIBIT B

PROPOSED REVISED TARIFF PAGES

Not Applicable
Company is Detariffed

BUSINESS TELECOM, INC.

EXHIBIT C

DESCRIPTION OF CHANGES AND CUSTOMERS AFFECTED

This filing is submitted as official notification that the Company is changing the name under which it provides interexchange telecommunications services within the state of Ohio from Business Telecom, Inc. d/b/a BTI Telecommunications Services to Business Telecom, Inc. d/b/a EarthLink Business.

This change is transparent to the customer as it is simply the adoption of a new trade name and does not affect the rates, terms or conditions of service provided to the Customer. All customers were notified of the new trade name via a bill message.

BUSINESS TELECOM, INC.

EXHIBIT D

CUSTOMER NOTICE

CUSTOMER NOTICE

EarthLink joined forces with Business Telecom, Inc. to create EarthLink Business[™], one of the nation's largest business-to-business providers of IP services, integrated voice and data communications and equipment solutions. To learn more, visit earthlinkbusiness.com or contact Customer Care at 1-800-239-3000.

BUSINESS TELECOM, INC.

EXHIBIT E

CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORITY
TRADE NAME

201114400090

DATE:	DOCUMENT ID	DESCRIPTION	FILING	EXPED	PENALTY	CERT	COPY
05/24/2011	201114400090	TRADE NAME/ORIGINAL FILING (RNO)	50.00	.00	.00	.00	.00

Receipt

This is not a bill. Please do not remit payment.

UNISEARCH, INC.
4694 CEMETERY RD
PMB 217
HILLIARD, OH 43026

**STATE OF OHIO
CERTIFICATE
Ohio Secretary of State, Jon Husted**

2022733

It is hereby certified that the Secretary of State of Ohio has custody of the business records for
EARTHLINK BUSINESS
and, that said business records show the filing and recording of:

Document(s)

TRADE NAME/ORIGINAL FILING

Date of First Use: 12/02/2010
Expiration Date: 05/20/2016

Document No(s):

201114400090

BUSINESS TELECOM, INC.
1375 PEACHTREE STREET
ATLANTA, GA 30309



United States of America
State of Ohio
Office of the Secretary of State

Witness my hand and the seal of
the Secretary of State at Columbus,
Ohio this 20th day of May, A.D.
2011.

Jon Husted

Ohio Secretary of State



Form 534A Prescribed by the:
Ohio Secretary of State

Central Ohio: (614) 466-3910
Toll Free: (877) SOS-FILE (767-3453)

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Busserv@sos.state.oh.us

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Mail form to one of the following:

☐ Expedite PO Box 1390
Columbus, OH 43216

--- Requires an additional fee of \$100 ---

☐ Non Expedite PO Box 670
Columbus, OH 43216

NAME REGISTRATION Filing Fee \$50

(CHECK ONLY ONE (1) BOX)

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Trade Name (167-RNO) Date of first use: <u>12/8/2010</u>	<input type="checkbox"/> Fictitious Name (169-NFO)
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Name being registered or reported: EarthLink Business
Name of the Registrant: Business Telecom, Inc.

NOTE: If the registrant is a foreign corporation licensed in Ohio under an assumed name, provide the assumed name and the name as registered in its jurisdiction of formation.

The Registrant is a(n): (Check only one (1) box)

- | | |
|--|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Individual | <input type="checkbox"/> Unincorporated Association |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Partnership
Registration #, if any _____ | <input type="checkbox"/> Professional Association |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Limited Partnership
Registration # _____
If foreign, Jurisdiction of Formation _____ | <input type="checkbox"/> Other |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Limited Liability Partnership
Registration # _____
If foreign, Jurisdiction of Formation _____ | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Limited Liability Company
Registration # _____
If foreign, Jurisdiction of Formation _____ | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Ohio Corporation
Charter # _____ | |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Foreign Corporation
Ohio license # <u>820377</u>
Jurisdiction of Formation <u>NC</u> | |

RECEIVED
SECRETARY OF STATE
2011 MAY 20 PM 3:27
CLIENT SERVICE CENTER

All registrants must complete the information in this section

Business address:

1375 Peachtree Street

Mailing Address

Atlanta

GA

30309

City

State

Zip Code

The general nature of the business conducted by the registrant:

Telecommunications products and services.

Complete the information in this section if registrant is a partnership not registered in Ohio

Provide the name and address of at least one general partner:

Name

Address

NOTE: Pursuant to OAG 89-081, if a general partner is a foreign corporation, it must be licensed to transact business in Ohio; If a general partner is a foreign corporation licensed in Ohio under an assumed name, please provide the assumed name and the name as registered in its jurisdiction of formation.

By signing and submitting this form to the Ohio Secretary of State, the undersigned hereby certifies that he or she has the requisite authority to execute this document.

REQUIRED

Must be authenticated
(signed) by the registrant or
an authorized
representative



Signature

Samuel R. DeSimone, Jr.

Print Name

May 9, 2011

Date

Signature

Date

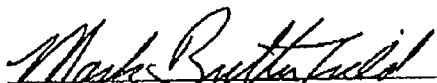
Print Name

Ohio Secretary of State
P.O. Box 788
Columbus, OH 43216

Re: EarthLink Business

Dear Sir or Madam:

The undersigned, Mark Butterfield the Assistant Secretary of New Edge Network, Inc. hereby consents to the use of the name EarthLink Business for use as a trade name in the state of Ohio.



Mark Butterfield, Assistant Secretary

This foregoing document was electronically filed with the Public Utilities

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in

Case No(s). 11-5583-TP-CIO

Summary: Application Application to Change Trade Name electronically filed by Mr. Thomas M Forte on behalf of Business Telecom, Inc.