

BEFORE

THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

In the Matter of the Application of)
TeleStride, LLC to Provide Competitive)
Telecommunications Services, Non-IP)
Local Exchange Voice Service to) Case No. 12-668-TP-ACE
Nonresidential End Users, and Carrier-to-)
Carrier Switched Access as a Facilities-)
Based Competitive Local Exchange)
Carrier in McClure, Ohio.)

ENTRY

The attorney examiner finds:

- (1) On February 15, 2012, the applicant, TeleStride, LLC (TeleStride), filed an application in this case seeking to provide, as a facilities-based competitive local exchange carrier in McClure, Ohio, non-IP local exchange voice service to nonresidential end users, to provide carrier-to-carrier switched access to interexchange carriers, and to provide to end users, competitive telecommunications services such as bundled services and high-capacity telecommunications services.
- (2) Rule XII, Section 2(A) of the Government of the Bar of Ohio (Bar Rule) provides rules governing eligibility to practice *pro hac vice* in Ohio. Pursuant to Section 2(A)(6) of the Bar Rule, motions for admission *pro hac vice* must be accompanied by a certificate of *pro hac vice* registration furnished by the Supreme Court Office of Attorney Services. On February 15, 2012, a motion to practice *pro hac vice* and a certificate of *pro hac vice* registration were filed on behalf of James U. Troup. The attorney examiner finds that the motion for admission *pro hac vice* should be granted.
- (3) On February 15, 2012, counsel for the applicant filed a motion for protective order by which the applicant seeks to protect the confidentiality of the financial information set forth in Exhibits D-1 and D-2 to its certification application, which has been marked confidential and filed under seal. The information for which protective treatment is sought consists of the applicant's recent financial statements.

- (4) The applicant is privately held, rather than a publicly traded company. In its motion for a protective order, the applicant indicates that the involved financial information is not otherwise available to the applicant's competitors. Further, the applicant submits that disclosure of this information could be competitively damaging to the applicant.
- (5) Under certain limited circumstances, the Commission has been willing to grant motions of telephone companies who seek to protect the confidentiality of the financial information they are required to submit as part of their certification applications. To date, such protection has been granted for periods of up to 18 months, where the company seeking the protective order can show that:
 - (a) It is privately held, or is a company that as a wholly owned subsidiary of a public traded company, does not routinely publicly report its financial status; and
 - (b) The information for which protective status is sought represents recent historical, contemporaneous, or projected details about the operations and/or finances of the company seeking the protective order that are competitively sensitive and have never previously been made available to the general public or filed with any other public agency.
- (6) Each of the above criteria has been met in this case with respect to Exhibits D-1 and D-2 of the certification application filed by TeleStride in this case. Accordingly, the motion for protective order filed by TeleStride in this docket should be granted, such that, unless and until specifically ordered otherwise, public disclosure of Exhibits D-1 and D-2 to the certification application that was filed by TeleStride under seal in this case shall occur for the first time on the date 18 months from the date of the issuance of this protective order. In the event that TeleStride should desire to seek continued protective treatment for this information beyond this 18-month period, it must make application for such continued protection in compliance with Rule 4901-1-24(F), Ohio Administrative Code.

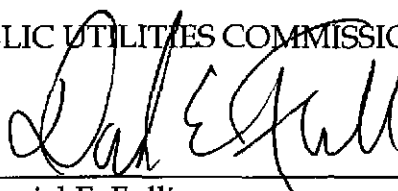
It is, therefore,

ORDERED, That the motion for admission *pro hac vice* filed by James U. Troup on February 15, 2012, be granted. It is, further,

ORDERED, That the motion for protective order filed by TeleStride in this case be granted in accordance with finding (5). It is, further,

ORDERED, That a copy of this entry be served upon TeleStride and all interested persons of record.

THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO



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