

**BEFORE  
THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO**

In the Matter of the Application of Lingo	)	Case No. 20-1769-TP-ABN
Telecom of the Great Lakes, LLC to Abandon	)	
its Certificate of Public Convenience and	)	
Necessity		

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

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On December 8, 2020, Lingo Telecom of the Great Lakes, LLC (Applicant) filed an application to abandon all telecommunications services and relinquish its Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity (CPCN), 90-9134, 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 December 7, 2000, under case number 00-1042-TP-ACE. The Applicant offered resold local exchange and long-distance services to residential and business customers.

The Applicant is relinquishing its CPCN due to an internal reorganization that occurred under Case No. 20-1210-TP-AMT in which all customers were transitioned to Matrix Telecom, LLC dba Matrix Business Technologies dba Trinsic Communications dba Vartec Telecom dba Excel Telecommunications dba Lingo (Matrix). Customer notices were unnecessary for this application since the transaction was transparent to customers as the services will still be offered under the Lingo brand. No changes to rates or terms and conditions were made to the Lingo customers who are now served by Matrix.

Additionally, the Applicant has complied with all reporting requirements by filing its Telecommunications Relay Service report and annual assessment report on March 10, 2020, and June 10, 2020, respectively, including paying all outstanding invoices.

This application is being filed pursuant to 4901:1-6-26. Absent full or partial suspension, an application in which a company is abandoning operations is approved in accordance with the thirty-day automatic approval process set forth in Ohio Adm.Code 4901:1-6-05. Staff recommends approval of this application on January 7, 2021. Moreover, Staff will cancel Certificate No. 90-9134 and the associated TRF docket within ten business days after Commission approval.

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