

**BEFORE  
THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO**

In the Matter of the Application of Goldstar	)	Case No.21-0936-TP-CIO
Communications LLC to Provide Notice of a	)	
change in operation pursuant to Ohio	)	
Adm.Code 4901:1-6-29	)	
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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 September 13, 2021, Goldstar Communications LLC (GCL) filed a zero-day notice filing for a change in ownership (CIO) pursuant to Ohio Adm.Code 4901:1-06-29(E)(2). GCL is a subsidiary of New Knoxville Telephone Company (NKTC) and is authorized to provide local exchange and competitive telecommunications services pursuant to certificate 90-9193.

In this CIO filing, GCL notified the Commission of the pending application of its parent company, NKTC, in front of the Federal Communications Commission (FCC), to transfer control of NKTC/GCL to Schurz Communications, Inc. On September 28, 2021, the FCC released a Public Notice seeking comment on the NKTC/GCL application.<sup>1</sup> The FCC did not receive any comments in opposition to the granting of the NKTC/GCL application. As such, on November 3, 2021, the FCC released a Public Notice granting the NKTC/GCL application subject to condition.<sup>2</sup>

GCL is a local exchange company providing BLES and filed all the required forms and attachments. However, since this transfer of ownership is completely transparent, no customer notice is required. As such, GCL did not provide a copy of a customer notice. Therefore, staff finds that the CIO, as filed, meets all the requirements set forth in section 4901:1-06-29(E)(2) of Administrative Code.

In conclusion, staff finds the GCL CIO notice filing does not appear to be unjust or unreasonable; therefore, Staff recommends that this notice filing be accepted subject to the outcome of the NKTC/GCL FCC application.

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<sup>1</sup> Domestic Section 214 Application Filed for the Transfer of Control of the New Knoxville Telephone Company and GoldStar Communications, LLC to Schurz Communications, Inc., WC Docket No. 21-361, Public Notice, DA 21-1214.

<sup>2</sup> Domestic Section 214 Application Granted Subject to Condition, WC Docket No. 21-361, Public Notice, DA 21-1376.

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