DECISION MEMORANDUM

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DATE: OCTOBER 4, 2012

SUBJECT: CINCINNATI BELL ANY DISTANCE INC.'S CPCN APPLICATION

CASE NO. BWT-T-12-01

On April 12, 2012, Cincinnati Bell Any Distance Inc. (CBAD) applied to the Commission for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity (CPCN) authorizing the Company to provide resold and facilities-based local exchange telecommunications service to business customers in Idaho.

THE APPLICATION

CBAD says it is a Delaware corporation that is authorized to do business in Idaho. The Company has no Idaho offices. Its principal place of business is in Ohio. A subsidiary of Cincinnati Bell Inc., Cincinnati Bell Technology Solutions Inc., owns 100% of CBAD's outstanding shares. *See* Application at 2-3.

CBAD says it has provided long-distance services in Idaho since 2003. It now seeks to provide competitive local exchange services to business customers, including exchange access service using resold services from the underlying incumbent local exchange carrier or other authorized carriers. CBAD may also provide service using its own facilities, or a combination of resold and facilities-based services. *Id.* at 1, 4.

CBAD says it has a nationwide coverage agreement with Access Point, Inc., and it intends to negotiate interconnection agreements with CenturyLink QC or other carriers. *Id.* at 6. CBAD will offer services throughout Idaho, and will compete with the incumbent CenturyLink as well as numerous CLECs. *Id.* at 4.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends that the Commission process the Company's Application under Modified Procedure with a 21-day comment period.

COMMISSION DECISION

Does the Commission wish to process the Company's Application under Modified Procedure with a 21-day comment period?

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