

BEFORE THE IDAHO PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

IN THE MATTER OF EARTHGRID’S) **CASE NO. EPC-T-21-01**
APPLICATION TO PROVIDE BASIC)
RESOLD AND FACILITIES-BASED LOCAL) **NOTICE OF APPLICATION**
EXCHANGE TELECOMMUNICATION)
SERVICES IN THE STATE OF IDAHO) **NOTICE OF**
) **MODIFIED PROCEDURE**
)
) **ORDER NO. 35080**

On May 25, 2021, EarthGrid PBC (“Company”) applied for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity (“CPCN”) to provide local exchange telecommunication service in Idaho.

The Commission now issues this Notice of Application and Notice of Modified Procedure setting comment and reply deadlines.

NOTICE OF APPLICATION

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that the Company is a Delaware public benefit company headquartered in Berkeley, California, and authorized to do business in Idaho.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that the Company is seeking a CPCN to provide facilities-based and resold basic local exchange telecommunication services to business and municipal customers in Idaho. The Company plans to obtain interconnection agreements with the incumbent local exchange companies. It intends to offer service in geographic areas currently served by CenturyLink and other providers.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that the Application is available for public inspection during regular business hours at the Commission’s office. These documents are also available on the Commission’s web site at www.puc.idaho.gov. Click on the “TELECOM” icon, select “Open Cases,” and click on the case number as shown on the front of this document.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that all proceedings in this case will be held pursuant to the Commission’s jurisdiction under Title 62 of the Idaho Code and specifically *Idaho Code* §§ 62-604, 62-615, and 62-622. The Commission may enter any final Order consistent with its authority under Title 62 and Commission Rule of Procedure 114. *See* IDAPA 31.01.01.114.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that all proceedings in this matter will be conducted pursuant to the Commission's Rules of Procedure, IDAPA 31.01.01.000 *et seq.*

NOTICE OF MODIFIED PROCEDURE

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that the Commission has determined that the public interest may not require a formal hearing in this matter, and that it will proceed under Modified Procedure pursuant to Rules 201 through 204 of the Commission's Rules of Procedure, IDAPA 31.01.01.201 through .204. The Commission notes that Modified Procedure and written comments have proven to be an effective means for obtaining public input and participation.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that persons desiring to state a position on this Application may file a written comment explaining why the person supports or opposes the Application. Persons who would like a hearing must specifically request a hearing in their written comments. **Persons shall have until July 9, 2021, to file written comments.** Comments must be filed through the Commission website or by e-mail unless computer access is unavailable. To comment electronically, please access the Commission's home page at www.puc.idaho.gov. Click the "Case Comment Form" and complete the form using the case number as it appears on the front of this document. To file by e-mail, the customer must e-mail the comments to the e-mail addresses listed below. In addition to submitting the comments to the Commission Secretary, the customer must also e-mail the Company at the e-mail addresses listed below. If computer access is unavailable, then comments may be mailed to the Commission and Company at these addresses:

For the Idaho PUC:

Commission Secretary
Idaho Public Utilities Commission
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YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that the Company must file any reply comments **by July 16, 2021.**

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that if no written comments or protests are received within the time limit set, the Commission will consider this matter on its merits and enter its Order without a formal hearing. If written comments are received within the time limit set, the Commission will consider them and, in its discretion, may set the same for formal hearing.

ORDER

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the Company's Application be processed by Modified Procedure, Rule 201-204 (IDAPA 31.01.01.201-.204). Persons interested in submitting written comments must do so by July 9, 2021. The Company must file any reply comments by July 16, 2021.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that parties should continue to comply with Order No. 35058, issued June 3, 2021. All pleadings should be filed with the Commission electronically and shall be deemed timely filed when received by the Commission Secretary. *See* Rule 14.02. Service between parties should also be accomplished electronically. Voluminous discovery-related documents may be filed and served on CD-ROM or a USB flash drive.

DONE by Order of the Idaho Public Utilities Commission at Boise, Idaho this 17th day of June 2021.



PAUL KJELLANDER, PRESIDENT

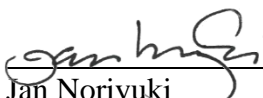


KRISTINE RAPER, COMMISSIONER



ERIC ANDERSON, COMMISSIONER

ATTEST:



Jan Noriyuki
Commission Secretary

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