

BEFORE THE IDAHO PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

IN THE MATTER OF TORCH WIRELESS'S) CASE NO. TOR-T-21-01
APPLICATION FOR DESIGNATION AS AN)
ELIGIBLE TELECOMMUNICATIONS) NOTICE OF ADDITIONAL
CARRIER IN IDAHO) COMMENT DEADLINES
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) **ORDER NO. 35090**
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On March 15, 2021, Torch Wireless (“Company”) applied for designation as an Eligible Telecommunications Carrier (“ETC”) to provide Lifeline service throughout Idaho. The Company also seeks authorization to participate in and receive reimbursement from the Idaho Telecommunications Service Assistance Program.

On April 14, 2021, the Commission issued a Notice of Application and Modified Procedure, setting a May 3, 2021 comment deadline and a May 10, 2021 reply deadline. Order No. 35001. Commission Staff filed comments; no other comments were received.

On June 22, 2021, the Commission deliberated on the fully submitted case. During the deliberation, the Commission noted that the Company has not provided written notice of the Application to affected Tribal authorities. The Commission order establishing ETC application requirements, Order No. 29841, states that an “ETC applicant seeking ETC designation for any part of tribal lands shall provide a copy of its application to the affected tribal government or tribal regulatory authority, as applicable, at the time it files its application with the Commission.” The Commission declines to issue a final order until the record reflects that the affected Tribal authorities had received notice of the Company’s Application and been given an opportunity to comment on the Application.

NOTICE OF ADDITIONAL COMMENT DEADLINES

YOU ARE HEREBY 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 persons desiring to state a position on this Application may file a written comment explaining why the person supports or opposes the
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Application. Persons who would like a hearing must specifically request a hearing in their written comments. **Persons shall have until July 15, 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 Public Utilities
Commission:**

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YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that the Company must file any reply comments **by July 22, 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

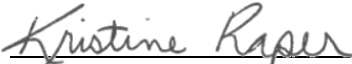
IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that persons interested in submitting written comments on the Company’s Application must do so by July 15, 2021. The Company must file any reply comments by July 22, 2021.

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 25th day of June 2021.



PAUL KJELLANDER, PRESIDENT

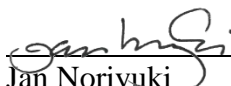


KRISTINE RAPER, COMMISSIONER



ERIC ANDERSON, COMMISSIONER

ATTEST:



Jan Noriyuki
Commission Secretary

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