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Ms. Marlene
H. Dortch
Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th
Street, SW
Washington, D.C. 20554

Re: VEZA Telecom, Inc., Section 63.71 Application

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On behalf of VEZA Telecom, Inc. ("VEZA") and pursuant to section 63.71 of the Federal Communications Commission rules, 47 C.F.R. § 63.71(a), enclosed please find VEZA's Section 63.71 Application for the discontinuance of interstate toll resale service. Thank you.

Respectfully submitted,

Craig D. Dingwall, Esq. Counsel to VEZA Telecom, Inc.

Enclosures

Before the FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20554

In the Matter of)
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Section 63.71 Application of)
VEZA Telecom, Inc.)

SECTION 63.71 APPLICATION

VEZA Telecom, Inc. ("VEZA" or "Applicant") hereby seeks authorization pursuant to Section 214(a) of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended (the "Act"), 47 U.S.C. § 214, and Section 63.71 of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. § 63.71, to discontinue its provision of interstate toll resale telecommunications service to all of its customers throughout nine states.¹

VEZA is a provider of 1 + long distance telecommunications services.

VEZA is authorized by the Commission to provide both interstate and international telecommunications services.

VEZA also is authorized to provide intrastate telecommunications services in nine states.

VEZA is in the process of discontinuing the provision of telecommunications

¹ VEZA was incorporated in Delaware and operates in Texas, New Mexico, New York, New Jersey, California, Louisiana, Illinois, Georgia, and Florida. VEZA offers only interstate and intrastate long distance Telecommunications service to customers in these states. VEZA's FCC Registration Numbers are 0019203744 and 0016898017. VEZA is authorized to provide international telecommunications service (ITC# 20070913-00380), but VEZA has no international customers. By this application, VEZA also requests cancellation of its interstate and international telecommunications licenses.

services, subject to Commission approval. The proposed discontinuance of VEZA's telecommunications service will not harm the affected customers because they are sophisticated purchasers of communications services and can easily obtain alternatives to the service, including use of cellular telephones or services from other service providers to make calls where VEZA plans to discontinue the service.

The Applicant provides the following information pursuant to Section 63.71 of the Commission's Rules:

- 1. Name and Address of Carrier: VEZA Telecom is located at 11205 Alpharetta Hwy, #E3, Roswell, GA 30076.
- 2. <u>Date of Planned Service Discontinuance, Reduction or Impairment</u>: The Applicant plans to discontinue the provision of its telecommunications service to the affected VEZA customers located throughout the nine states effective August 24, 2015. The Applicant understands that this application will be automatically granted on the 31st day after public notice of filing unless the Commission notifies the Applicant to the contrary.
- 3. <u>Points of Geographic Areas of Service Affected</u>: VEZA proposes to discontinue the provision of its telecommunications service to the affected VEZA customers located throughout the states of Texas, New Mexico, New York, New Jersey, California, Louisiana, Illinois, Georgia, and Florida. VEZA does not offer telecommunications service in any other states.
 - 4. Brief Description of Type of Service Affected: The

communications service received by the affected VEZA enterprise customers is non-dominant, long distance resold toll service. The service enables VEZA customers to make long distance and international telephone calls. VEZA's long distance service is offered as an independent service offering and is not dependent on a subscriber purchasing other telecommunications services from VEZA.

The proposed discontinuance of VEZA's telecommunications service will not harm the affected customers because toll service is generally and readily available from other telecommunications service providers. In addition, because VEZA's toll service is provided on a postpaid basis, there are no issues regarding deposits and refunds to the affected customers. Moreover, the affected customers are sophisticated purchasers of communications services and can easily obtain alternatives to the service, including use of cellular telephones or services from other service providers to make calls where VEZA plans to discontinue the service.

- 5. Brief Description of the Dates and Methods of Notice to All Affected Customers: In accordance with the requirements of Section 63.7l(a) of the Commission's rules, on July 6, 2015, VEZA sent written customer notice, by first-class mail, informing the affected customers of the planned August 24, 2015 discontinuance date. A sample copy of the notice to customers is appended hereto as Exhibit A.
- 6. Whether the Carrier is Considered Dominant or Non-Dominant with Respect to the Service to Be Discontinued. Reduced or Impaired: Applicant is considered non-dominant with respect to the affected services.

In accordance with Section 63.71 of the Commission's Rules, a copy of this Application is being mailed to the Governor(s) and Public Service Commission(s) of the seven (9) states and to the Special Assistant for Telecommunications for the Secretary of Defense, concurrent with the filing of this Application.

Additional questions regarding this application may be addressed to the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,

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Its Attorney

Dated: July 6, 2015

Exhibit A



July 6, 2015

Re: <u>IMPORTANT NOTICE REGARDI NG DISCONTINUANCE</u> OF SERVICE

Dear VEZA Customer:

Effective August 24, 2015, VEZA Telecom, Inc. ("VEZA"), will no longer provide long distance telecommunications service to customers and will be closing. This discontinuance impacts customers located in the states of Texas, New Mexico, New York, New Jersey, California, Louisiana, Illinois, Georgia, and Florida. Long distance telecommunications service enables customers to make long distance telephone calls. You are receiving this notice because you appear in VEZA's records as a "customer-of-record." As a result, we are furnishing you with sufficient notice to allow you to evaluate alternative providers and select another service provider, if you currently are using this service.

The Federal Communications Commission will normally authorize this proposed discontinuance of service unless it is shown that customers would be unable to receive service or a reasonable substitute from another carrier or that the public convenience and necessity is otherwise adversely affected. If you wish to object, you should file your comments as soon as possible, but no later than 15 days after the Commission releases public notice of the proposed discontinuance. Address them to the Federal Communications Commission, Wireline Competition Bureau, Competition Policy Division, 445 12th Street, SW, Washington, DC 20554, and include in your comments a reference to the § 63.71 Application of VEZA Telecom, Inc. Comments should include specific information about the impact of this proposed discontinuance upon you or your company, including any inability to acquire reasonable substitute service.

If you have any questions, please contact VEZA Customer Service at 888-314-8392. Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

VEZA Telecom

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that the foregoing Section 63.71 Application was served this sixth day of July, 2015, by mailing true and correct copies thereof, postage prepaid, to the following persons at the addresses listed below.

Hon. Kathleen H. Burgess, Secretary New York Public Service Commission Empire State Plaza Agency Building 3 Albany, NY 12223-1350

The Honorable Andrew M. Cuomo Governor of New York State NYS State Capitol Building Albany, NY 12224

Irene Kim Asbury, Secretary New Jersey Board of Public Utilities 44 S. Clinton Avenue Trenton, NJ 08625

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PO Box 13326
Austin, TX 78711-3326

Hon. Greg Abbott Office of the Governor P.O. Box 12428 Austin, Texas 78711-2428

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Secretary of Defense Attn: Special Assistant for Telecommunications Pentagon Washington, D.C. 20301

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