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Marlene H. Dortch, Esq. Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, S.W. Washington, D.C. 20554

### Re: Section 63.71 Discontinuance Application of Global Crossing Telecommunications, Inc. FRN 0002850519

Dear Ms. Dortch:

Global Crossing Telecommunications, Inc. ("Global Crossing") (FRN: 0002850519), pursuant to Section 63.71 of the Commission's Rules, 47 C.F.R. § 63.71, hereby submits this application to discontinue the following services, Global Crossing's Call Home America, Simple Connect, MulitPoint and Network Transfer toll-free calling services and its residential long-distance calling services, to its customers throughout the United States on or about March 1, 2015. Notice of the proposed discontinuance is being filed under separate cover with the International Bureau pursuant to Section 63.19 of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. § 63.19.

No other services are being discontinued at this time and the company plans to continue operations in all states in which it currently operates.

Please contact me at (407) 740-3002 or via email at <u>cwightman@tminc.com</u> with any questions regarding this application.

Respectfully\_submitted,

Connie Wightman

Consultant

cc: see Certificate of Service and Service List cc: Rodney McDonald - FCC (via email)

#### Enclosures

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

In the Matter of Section 63.71 Application of Global Crossing Telecommunications, Inc.

WC Docket No.

For Authority Pursuant to Section 214 of ) the Communications Act of 1934, ) To Discontinue the Provision of Certain Toll- ) Free and Residential Long-Distance Services )

# SECTION 63.71 APPLICATION OF GLOBAL CROSSING TELECOMMUNICATIONS, INC.

Global Crossing Telecommunications, Inc. ("Applicant") seeks authorization pursuant to Section 214(a) of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, 47 U.S.C. § 214(a), and Section 63.71 of the Commission's Rules, 47 C.F.R. § 63.71, to discontinue its provision of certain domestic toll-free and residential long-distance calling services.

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

 <u>Name and Address of the Carrier</u>: Global Crossing Telecommunications, Inc., 1025 Eldorado Boulevard, Broomfield, Colorado 80021.

2. <u>Date of Planned Service Discontinuance</u>: Applicant plans to discontinue the affected services on or around March 1, 2015, or as soon thereafter as any necessary regulatory approvals are obtained. Applicant understands that this application will be automatically granted on the 31st day after public notice of filing unless the Commission notifies Applicant to the contrary. *See* 47 C.F.R. § 63.71(c).

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3. <u>Points of Geographic Areas of Service Affected</u>: Applicant proposes to discontinue the affected services throughout the United States.

4. <u>Description of Service Affected</u>: The affected services include the following:

(a) <u>Call Home America</u>: A service that provides customers with a toll-free number and personal identification number ("PIN") that enable toll-free calls to be made to their domestic telephone numbers. The customer is billed for the calls rather than the call originator.

(b) <u>Simple Connect</u>: A service that provides customers with a shared toll-free number and PINs that may be pre-programmed for termination to any domestic telephone number. The customer is billed for the calls rather than the call originator.

(c) <u>MultiPoint</u>: A service that provides customers with a unique tollfree number and PINs that may be pre-programmed for termination to any domestic phone number. The customer is billed for the calls rather than the call originator.

(d) <u>Network Transfer</u>: A toll-free calling feature that enables customers that operate call centers to re-direct calls to other locations.

(e) <u>Residential Long Distance</u>: A service that enables residential customers to make 1+ long-distance calls.

5. <u>Brief Description of the Dates and Methods of Notice to All Affected</u> <u>Customers</u>: Applicant has sent a written notification of the planned discontinuance to customers utilizing the services in accordance with Section 63.71(a) of the Commission's Rules.

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## 6. Whether the Carrier is Considered Dominant or Non-dominant with

<u>Respect to the Service to be Discontinued</u>: Applicant is considered non-dominant with respect to the services to be discontinued.

In accordance with Section 63.71(a) of the Commission's Rules, a copy of this application is being mailed concurrently with its filing to the governors and public utility commissions of all fifty states and the District of Columbia, and to the Special Assistant for Telecommunications to the Secretary of Defense.

Please direct questions regarding this application to:

Connie Wightman, Consultant Technologies Management, Inc. 2600 Maitland Center Parkway, Suite 300 Maitland, Florida 32752 (407) 740-3002 cwightman@tminc.com

*Conclusion:* The public convenience and necessity will not be adversely affected by the discontinuance of certain toll free and residential long distance services currently offered by Applicant. Advance notice has been provided to all affected customers, giving them ample time to arrange substitute services, which are readily available. Substitute services include, but are not limited to, calling card services, mobile services, VoIP services, toll free services, and direct dial services offered by a variety of carriers and other service providers. Therefore, Applicant respectfully requests that the Commission approve this Section 63.71 application to discontinue

its Call Home America, Simple Connect, MultiPoint, Network Transfer, and Residential Long Distance services in its service areas throughout the United States.

Respectfully submitted,

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R. Edward Price Associate General Counsel, Regulatory Affairs Global Crossing Telecommunications, Inc.

December19, 2014



December 19, 2014

«Customer\_name» «Address\_1» «Address\_2» «City», «State» «Zip»

RE: Notice of Termination / Service Disconnection

### Dear «Customer\_name»:

Global Crossing Telecommunications, Inc., a Level 3 Company, located at 1025 Eldorado Blvd, Broomfield, CO 80021, is planning to discontinue its Call Home America, Simple Connect, Multipoint and Network Transfer toll-free calling services and its residential long-distance calling services throughout the United States on or around March 1, 2015. Our records indicate that you have active service of one of these products and this letter is providing at least 60 days' notice.

The FCC 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, Washington, DC 20554, and include in your comments a reference to the § 63.71 Application of Global Crossing Telecommunications, 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 about this planned discontinuance, please contact your account manager or call us toll free at 877-2-LEVEL3.

We appreciate your prompt attention to this matter. Thank you very much in advance for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

On behalf of Level 3 Communications, LLC and its affiliated companies.

### **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I, Keith Rice, do hereby certify that on this day, December 18, 2014, I cause to be served a true and correct copy of the foregoing Section 63.71 Application of Global Crossing Telecommunications, Inc. via First-Class U.S. Mail, postage prepaid, to the following:

Secretary of Defense Attn: Special Assistant for Telecommunications Pentagon Washington, DC 20301 (703) 571-3343

Mindel De La Torre Chief, International Bureau 445 12<sup>th</sup> Street, SW Washington, DC 20554

State PSC/PUC Agencies and Governors: See enclosed Service List.

Signed:

Keith Rice, Technologies Management, Inc.

12-18-Date: