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Via E-File

Patricia Van Gerpen, Executive Director
South Dakota Public Utilities Commission
500 East Capital Avenue
Pierre, South Dakota 57501

Re: Consolidated Communications Enterprise Services, LLC Informational Notice of Conversion and Resulting Name Change

Dear Director Van Gerpen:

Consolidated Communications Enterprise Services, Inc. (the "Company") hereby notifies the Commission of a change in corporate form from a Delaware corporation to a Delaware limited liability company (the "Conversion") that resulted in a change of the Company's legal name to "Consolidated Communications Enterprise Services, LLC".

The Company is authorized by the Commission to provide competitive local exchange and interexchange services and was previously formed as a Delaware corporation.¹ As a result of the Conversion, the Company became a Delaware limited liability company. The Conversion is merely a change in the Company's corporate form and does not entail any merger or other transaction interrupting the existence of the Company. The conversion documents filed with the Delaware Secretary of State are provided as **Attachment A** and foreign company registration with the South Dakota Secretary of State is provided as **Attachment B**. Because the Company does not maintain a South Dakota tariff, no tariff update is required.

¹ See Order Granting Certificate of Authority, *Application of Consolidated Communications Enterprise Services, Inc. for a Certificate of Authority to Provide Local Exchange and Interexchange Long Distance Services in South Dakota and the Transfer of Crystal Communications, Inc. and Enventis Telecom, Inc.'s Certificates of Authority to Consolidated Communications Enterprise Services, Inc.*, Docket No. TC16-067 (January 20, 2017).

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Under Delaware corporate law, “[w]hen a corporation has been converted to another entity or business form pursuant to this section, the other entity or business form shall, for all purposes of the laws of the State of Delaware, be deemed to be the same entity as the corporation.”²

The Conversion and resulting name change will not affect the rates, terms or conditions of service provided by the Company. Customers will continue to be served by the same entity from whom they previously obtained service and will continue to receive invoices for services from “Consolidated” under the same contracts, rates, terms and conditions of service as before the conversion name change. Further, notifying customers of the minor change from “Inc.” to “LLC” may cause confusion. Therefore, notice to customers of the change in name is not necessary. The Company requests that the Commission update its records, including the Company’s Certificate, to reflect the Conversion and resulting name change.

Please acknowledge receipt and acceptance of this filing. Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the persons below.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/Joshua M. Bobeck

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*Counsel for Consolidated Communications
Enterprise Services, LLC*

² 8 Del. Code § 266(h).

Attachment A

Conversion Documents

Delaware

The First State

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I, CHARUNI P. SANCHEZ, SECRETARY OF STATE OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE, DO HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE ATTACHED IS A TRUE AND CORRECT COPY OF THE CERTIFICATE OF CONVERSION OF A DELAWARE CORPORATION UNDER THE NAME OF "CONSOLIDATED COMMUNICATIONS ENTERPRISE SERVICES, INC." TO A DELAWARE LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY, CHANGING ITS NAME FROM "CONSOLIDATED COMMUNICATIONS ENTERPRISE SERVICES, INC." TO "CONSOLIDATED COMMUNICATIONS ENTERPRISE SERVICES, LLC", FILED IN THIS OFFICE ON THE THIRTIETH DAY OF JANUARY, A.D. 2025, AT 1:27 O`CLOCK P.M.



C. P. Sanchez

Charuni P. Sanchez, Secretary of State

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STATE OF DELAWARE
CERTIFICATE OF CONVERSION
FROM A CORPORATION TO A
LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY PURSUANT TO
SECTION 18-214 OF THE LIMITED LIABILITY ACT

- 1.) The jurisdiction where the Corporation first formed is Delaware.

- 2.) The jurisdiction immediately prior to filing this Certificate is Delaware.

- 3.) The date the corporation first formed is August 5, 2002.

- 4.) The name of the Corporation immediately prior to filing this Certificate is Consolidated Communications Enterprise Services, Inc.

- 5.) The name of the Limited Liability Company as set forth in the Certificate of Formation is Consolidated Communications Enterprise Services, LLC.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned have executed this Certificate on the 30th day of January, A.D. 2025.

By: 
Authorized Person

Name: J. Garrett Van Osdell
Print or Type

Attachment B

Foreign Company Registration



South Dakota Secretary of State

Monae L. Johnson
Secretary of State

Thomas J. Deadrick
Deputy Secretary of State

CONSOLIDATED COMMUNICATIONS ENTERPRISE SERVICES, LLC
207 E CAPITOL AVE
SUITE 101B
PIERRE, SD 57501-2629

February 4, 2025

Filing Acknowledgment

Please review the filing information below and notify our office immediately of any discrepancies.

Business ID :	FL292508		
Filing Type:	Limited Liability Company - Foreign		
Filing Date:	02/04/2025		
Status:	Good Standing	Annual Report	02/01/2026
Duration Term:	Perpetual	Due:	

Registered Agent Address:

COGENCY GLOBAL INC.
207 E CAPITOL AVE
SUITE 101B
PIERRE, SD 57501-2629
(800) 483-1140
(800) 253-5177
SOP@COGENCYGLOBAL.COM; personenterprise@live.com

Principal Address:

2116 S. 17TH STREET
MATTOON, IL 61938

Congratulations on the successful filing of your **Application for Certificate of Authority** for **CONSOLIDATED COMMUNICATIONS ENTERPRISE SERVICES, LLC** in the State of South Dakota which is effective on the date shown above.

You must file an Annual Report with this office on or before the Annual Report Due Date noted above and maintain an active South Dakota Registered Office and Registered Agent. Failure to do so will subject the business to Administrative Dissolution/Revocation.

Monae L. Johnson
Secretary of State
State of South Dakota

State of South Dakota

Office of the Secretary of State

Certificate of Authority

Foreign Limited Liability Company

I, **Monae L. Johnson**, Secretary of State of the State of South Dakota, hereby certify that the Application for Certificate of Authority to transact business in this state for

CONSOLIDATED COMMUNICATIONS ENTERPRISE SERVICES, LLC

BUSINESS ID# FL292508

with an effective date of: February 4, 2025, duly signed and verified, pursuant to the provisions of the South Dakota Limited Liability Company Act, has been received in this office and is found to conform to law.

ACCORDINGLY, and by virtue of the authority vested in me by law, I hereby issue this Certificate of Authority and attach hereto a duplicate of the Application for Certificate of Authority.



IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this day, February 4, 2025.

Monae L. Johnson

Monae L. Johnson
Secretary of State

Secretary of State Office
500 E Capitol Ave
Pierre, SD 57501
(605)773-4845
corpinfo@state.sd.us

**APPLICATION FOR
CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORITY
FOREIGN LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY**
SDCL 47-34A-1002

FILING FEE: \$765

Make check payable to SECRETARY OF STATE

Application must be accompanied by a one page Original Certificate of Existence issued by the Secretary of State or other official having custody of the organizational records in the state or other jurisdiction under whose law it is organized.

1. The name of the company:

Consolidated Communications Enterprise Services, LLC

2. If the name indicated above does not include Limited Liability Company, Limited Company or the abbreviation L.L.C., LLC, L.C. or LC. (Limited may be abbreviated as Ltd. and company may be abbreviated as Co.), then what is the alternative name adopted:

3. The name of the state or other jurisdiction under whose laws it is organized: Delaware

4. The address of its principal office (this is the address of the executive offices of the company):

2116 S. 17th Street	Mattoon	IL	61938
Street Address	City	State	ZIP+4

Mailing Address if different from street address	City	State	ZIP+4

Email Address (Optional)

5. If the jurisdiction under which the company is formed requires the company to maintain an office in that jurisdiction then provide for that office:

Street Address	City	State	ZIP+4

Mailing Address if different from street address	City	State	ZIP+4

6. The South Dakota Registered Agent's name: Cogency Global Inc.

South Dakota law permits the registered agent to be either: A) noncommercial registered agent (this may be an individual) or B) a commercial registered agent. Complete only one below, either (a) or (b).

(a) The South Dakota Noncommercial Registered Agent's name

Actual Street Address in this State	City	State	ZIP+4

Mailing Address in this State, if Different from Street Address	City	State	ZIP+4

Email Address (Optional)

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(b) When listing a Commercial Registered Agent, please state their CRA#. This number can be obtained from the Commercial Registered Agent.

COGENCY GLOBAL INC.

CR000001

Commercial Registered Agent Name

CRA#

No person may execute this report knowing it is false in any material respect. Any violation may be subject to a criminal penalty (SDCL 22-39-36).

01/30/2025

Dated _____

Email annual_report@consolidated.com
(Optional)



Signature of an authorized person

J. Garrett Van Osdell

Printed Name

Corporate Secretary

Title

Delaware

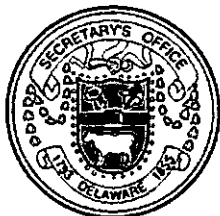
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I, CHARUNI P. SANCHEZ, SECRETARY OF STATE OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE, DO HEREBY CERTIFY "CONSOLIDATED COMMUNICATIONS ENTERPRISE SERVICES, LLC" IS DULY FORMED UNDER THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE AND IS IN GOOD STANDING AND HAS A LEGAL EXISTENCE SO FAR AS THE RECORDS OF THIS OFFICE SHOW, AS OF THE THIRTIETH DAY OF JANUARY, A.D. 2025.

AND I DO HEREBY FURTHER CERTIFY THAT THE SAID "CONSOLIDATED COMMUNICATIONS ENTERPRISE SERVICES, LLC" WAS FORMED ON THE FIFTH DAY OF AUGUST, A.D. 2002.

AND I DO HEREBY FURTHER CERTIFY THAT THE ANNUAL TAXES HAVE BEEN PAID TO DATE.



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You may verify this certificate online at corp.delaware.gov/authver.shtml

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "C. P. Sanchez". The signature is written in a cursive style and is positioned above a horizontal line.

Charuni P. Sanchez, Secretary of State

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Date: 01-30-25

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