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April 18, 2025

Patricia Van Gerpen Executive Director South Dakota Public Utilities Commission Capitol Building, 1st Floor 500 E. Capitol Avenue Pierre, SD 57501

Re: Global Crossing Local Services, Inc., and Global Crossing Telecommunications, Inc. Courtesy Letter of Discontinuance of Certain Voice and Data Services

Dear Ms. Van Gerpen:

Global Crossing Local Services, Inc., and Global Crossing Telecommunications, Inc. (Global Crossing or Company) files this letter as an additional courtesy notice to South Dakota Public Utilities Commission.¹ In South Dakota, the Company is certificated as an Interexchange Carrier (IXC). Global Crossing Telecommunications, Inc. does not have tariffs on file with the Commission..

Specifically, on **April 14, 2025**, the Company filed an application with the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) pursuant to Section 214 of the 1996 Telecommunication Act and related regulations. The Company in its FCC 214 filing seeks authorization to discontinue certain voice and data services. The Company also notified affected business of the discontinued services by letter dated **April 10, 2025**. Global Crossing does not have residential customers

The Company plans to discontinue the affected services and exit the voice telecommunications market on or around **July 10, 2025**. Global Crossing will not be cancelling certification or registrations at this time.

Should you have any questions about the FCC 214 filing or this courtesy notice, please contact me.

Very truly yours,

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200 South 5th Street, Room 2200 Minneapolis, MN 55402

¹ The FCC 214 filing was served upon the Commission.

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

In the Matter of

Section 63.71 Application of

WC Docket No. 25-____

Global Crossing Telecommunications, Inc. and Global Crossing Local Services, Inc. For Authority Pursuant to Section 214 of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, to Discontinue the Provision of Voice Services

SECTION 63.71 APPLICATION OF GLOBAL CROSSING TELECOMMUNICATIONS, INC. AND GLOBAL CROSSING LOCAL SERVICES, INC.

Global Crossing Telecommunications, Inc. (FRN: 0002-8505-19) and Global Crossing

Local Services, Inc. (FRN: 0003-7331-44)¹ (collectively referred to herein as "Global Crossing")

seek 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 all voice services (the Affected Services) in Alaska, Arizona, Arkansas, Delaware,

Louisiana, Maine, Minnesota, Missouri, Mississippi, Nevada, New Hampshire, New Mexico,

North Dakota, Ohio, Oklahoma, Rhode Island, South Carolina, South Dakota, West Virginia,

and Wyoming.

¹ Global Crossing Telecommunications, Inc. and Global Crossing Local Services, Inc. are competitive local exchange carrier and interexchange carrier subsidiaries of Lumen Technologies, Inc. (f/k/a CenturyLink, Inc.) (FRN: 0018-6268-53).

Global Crossing provides the following information pursuant to Section 63.71 of the

Commission's Rules:

1. Name and Address of the Carrier

Global Crossing Telecommunications, Inc. Global Crossing Local Services, Inc. 100 CenturyLink Drive Monroe, LA 71203

2. Date of Planned Service Discontinuance

Global Crossing plans to discontinue the Affected Services noted below on July 10, 2025, or as soon thereafter as any necessary regulatory approvals are obtained. Global Crossing's voice portfolio runs on aging, legacy network equipment, the majority of which is no longer supported by underlying vendors. Thus, repairing and/or replacing this network equipment has become challenging, if not impossible. Decommissioning of this network is necessary now to prevent an irreparable failure in the future.

3. Points of Geographic Areas of Service Affected

Global Crossing proposes to discontinue the Affected Services in Alaska, Arizona,

Arkansas, Delaware, Louisiana, Maine, Minnesota, Missouri, Mississippi, Nevada, New

Hampshire, New Mexico, North Dakota, Ohio, Oklahoma, Rhode Island, South Carolina, South

Dakota, West Virginia, and Wyoming.

4. Description of Services Affected²

The Affected Services provided by Global Crossing are:

• Local Exchange Service - provides the Customer with a connection to the Company's facilities within a local calling area on the public switched telephone network

² As noted in the customer notice, Global Crossing is also discontinuing three international services. Discontinuance of those services will be separately addressed in a Section 63.19 filing. 47 C.F.R. § 63.19.

- Local Service Digital Trunk Service provides voice-grade telephonic communications channels that can be used to place or receive calls
- Operator Service and Directory Assistance provides the customer with the ability to have access to an Operator
- Long Distance Service allows domestic calls outside of a defined local calling area
- Toll Free Service allows domestic & international calls to originate from anywhere in the contiguous, mainland United States or Canada and terminate to the customer's location at no charge to the calling party
- Voice Local Services (VLS) allows origination to Lumen-provided telephone numbers to aggregate the traffic and hand it off to single or multiple IP endpoints

5. Brief Description of the Dates and Methods of Notice to All Affected Customers

Global Crossing sent a written notification of the planned discontinuance to customers

affected by the proposed discontinuance in accordance with Section 63.71(a) of the

Commission's Rules. Customer notifications were sent by U.S. Mail or United Parcel Service on

April 10, 2025. A copy of the notification is attached to this application (Attachment A).

6. Whether the Carrier is Considered Dominant or Non-dominant with Respect to the Service to be Discontinued

Global Crossing is considered non-dominant with respect to the services to be

discontinued.

7. Other Information

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 entities listed on the attached certificate of service.

CONCLUSION

The public convenience and necessity will not be adversely affected by the discontinuance of the services described herein. Advance notice has been provided to all affected customers, giving them ample time to arrange substitute services, which are readily available from other providers. Therefore, Global Crossing Telecommunications, Inc. and Global Crossing Local Services, Inc. respectfully request that the Commission approve this Section 63.71 application.³

Respectfully submitted,

GLOBAL CROSSING TELECOMMUNICATIONS, INC.; AND GLOBAL CROSSING LOCAL SERVICES, INC.

By:

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Dated: April 15, 2025

³ Although Global Crossing proposes in this application to discontinue certain TDM-based voice services, this discontinuance is not a "technology transition," as defined in 47 C.F.R. § 63.60(i), as the affected customers can choose to switch to a TDM-based voice service offered by another provider.

ATTACHMENT A



4/10/2025

Important Notice: Global Crossing Telecommunications, Inc. and Global Crossing Local Services, Inc., Lumen Companies, will soon exit the voice telecommunications market

Dear

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Global Crossing Telecommunications, Inc. and Global Crossing Local Services, Inc., Lumen companies, (the Company) will soon exit the voice telecommunications market. In Alaska, Arizona, Arkansas, Delaware, Louisiana, Maine, Minnesota, Missouri, Mississippi, Nevada, New Hampshire, New Mexico, North Dakota, Ohio, Oklahoma, Rhode Island, South Carolina, South Dakota, West Virginia and Wyoming, the Company will **discontinue** the voice service(s) you subscribe to on **July 10, 2025**, or as soon after that date as authorized by the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) and the state regulatory commission, if required.

If you want to retain a voice service after **July 10, 2025**, contact Lumen or another provider of your choice as soon as possible but no later than **June 26, 2025**, to ensure there is no disruption to your service(s).

You must take action in order to keep your current telephone number(s).

You are receiving this notice because you subscribe to one or more of the following services that will be discontinued on **July 10, 2025**, subject to any necessary regulatory authorizations:

- Local Exchange Service provides the Customer with a connection to the Company's facilities within a local calling area on the public switched telephone network
- Local Service Digital Trunk Service provides voice-grade telephonic communications channels that can be used to place or receive calls
- Operator Service and Directory Assistance provides the customer with the ability to have access to an Operator
- Long Distance Service allows domestic calls outside of a defined local calling area
- International Long Distance (ILD) allows calls originating in one country to terminate in another country
- International Local Inbound (ILI) is an inbound local trunking solution for international DDIs for local presence in a specific country
- Toll Free Service allows domestic & international calls to originate from anywhere in the contiguous, mainland United States or Canada and terminate to the customer's location at no charge to the calling party

- International Toll Free Service (ITFS) and Universal International Free Phone Number (UIFN) Service – allows calls to originate from international countries. ITFS provides the ability to have a different toll-free number per country; whereas UIFN provides the same toll-free number for multiple countries
- Voice Local Services (VLS) allows origination to Lumen-provided telephone numbers to aggregate the traffic and hand it off to single or multiple IP endpoints

Important information

- When your voice service is discontinued, we will automatically apply any applicable deposits or credits to your Global Crossing bill.
- If the amount due on your bill is less than any deposits and credits, we will issue a refund for the remaining balance.
- If you choose to disconnect your service before the date listed above, no early termination fees will apply.
- The states of Alaska, Arizona, Arkansas, Delaware, Louisiana, Maine, Minnesota, Missouri, Mississippi, Nevada, New Hampshire, New Mexico, North Dakota, Ohio, Oklahoma, Rhode Island, South Carolina, South Dakota, West Virginia and Wyoming are impacted by this discontinuance of voice services.

We are committed to making it easy to do business with us. Our goal is to provide you with secure and reliable connections when, where, and how you need them.

If you have any questions about these changes, if you wish to cancel your service or want to discuss alternatives to your current service(s), contact your account team directly or call us at **844-537-2271** today.

If you are a wholesale or federal customer, please contact your account representative directly.

Thank you for choosing Global Crossing - we value you as our customer.

The following statement is required by the Federal Communications Commission (FCC):

The FCC will normally authorize this proposed discontinuance of service (or reduction or impairment) 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 reduction or impairment or service. You may file your comments electronically through the FCC's Electronic Filing System using the docket number established in the Commission's public notice for this proceeding, or you may 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. and Global Crossing Local Services, Inc. Comments should include specific information about the impact of this proposed or reduction or impairment of service upon you or your company, including any inability to acquire reasonable substitute service.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, Marjorie Herlth, do hereby certify that I have caused the foregoing SECTION 63.71 APPLICATION to be:

- Filed with the Secretary of the FCC via ECFS (Inbox-Section 214 Domestic Discontinuance Application);
- Served via first-class U.S. Mail, postage prepaid, on the Governors of the States listed on the attached service list;
- Served via first-class U.S. Mail, postage prepaid, on the Public Utility Commissions listed on the attached service list; and
- Served via first-class U.S. Mail, postage prepaid, on the Special Assistant for Telecommunications under the Secretary of Defense¹.

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April 15, 2025

¹ Global Crossing Telecommunications, Inc. and Global Crossing Local Services, Inc. did not identify any Tribal Nations in the geographic area covered by this Application.

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