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#### Before the FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION Washington, DC 20554

In the Matter of	)	
Section 63.71 Application of	)	File No.
Teleport Communications America, LLC and TC Systems, Inc.	)	The Ho.
For Authority Pursuant to Section 214 of The Communications Act of 1934, As Amended, To Discontinue the Provision of Service	) ) )	

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#### SECTION 63.71 APPLICATION OF AT&T

AT&T Services, Inc. on behalf of Teleport Communications America, LLC and TC Systems, Inc., collectively referenced herein as AT&T, applies for authority under Section 214(a) of the Communications Act, as amended ("the Act"), 47 U.S.C. § 214 and Section 63.71 of the Federal Communications Commission's ("Commission") rules, 47 C.F.R. § 63.71, to discontinue offering Ethernet Private Line Service-Metropolitan Area Network (EPLS-MAN) services in: Arizona, Colorado, Connecticut, Delaware, District of Columbia, Idaho, Iowa, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, Minnesota, Montana, Nebraska, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New Mexico, New York, North Dakota, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, South Dakota, Utah, Vermont, Virginia, Washington, West Virginia, Wyoming.

As required by Section 63.71(a) and (b) of the Commission's rules, AT&T is providing the following information:

Name and Address of Carrier (47 C.F.R. §§ 63.71(a)(1), (b)(2)):

Teleport Communications America, LLC and TC Systems, Inc. (formerly Teleport Communications Service (TCG))

The address for processing this application: 95 W. Algonquin Road Arlington Heights, IL 60005

#### Date of Planned Service Discontinuance (47 C.F.R. §§ 63.71(a)(2), (b)(2)):

AT&T plans to no longer offer these services to new customers on or after March 31, 2018, subject to Commission authorization of the discontinuance pursuant to 47 C.F.R. § 63.71(c). In addition, on or after March 31, 2018, AT&T will no longer accept orders from existing customers for adds, moves, changes or new term plans for these services. Further, existing term plans may not be renewed or extended. AT&T will continue to provide existing services to existing customers until their existing term agreements expire or until the service is discontinued, which is currently planned for April 1, 2023, whichever is later. Following the expiration of existing term agreements, AT&T will provide these services on a month-to-month basis until the services are discontinued, which is currently planned for April 1, 2023.

#### Points of Geographic Areas of Service Affected (47 C.F.R. §§ 63.71(a)(3), b(2)):

AT&T will discontinue these services throughout its geographic service areas in: Arizona, Colorado, Connecticut, Delaware, District of Columbia, Idaho, Iowa, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, Minnesota, Montana, Nebraska, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New Mexico, New York, North Dakota, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, South Dakota, Utah, Virginia, Vermont, Washington, West Virginia, and Wyoming.

#### Brief Description of Type of Service Affected (47 C.F.R. §§ 63.71(a)(3), b(2)):

Ethernet Private Line Service - MAN provides dedicated high-speed Ethernet connections from a Customer's designated Site to another Customer's designated Site via

AT&T-provided fiber optic network facilities, where all Customers' designated Sites are Type 1. This Ethernet Private Line Service - MAN is provided at transmission speeds of 50 Mbps, 100 Mbps, 150 Mbps, 300 Mbps, 600 Mbps, or 1 Gbps, with options to support service restoration within 50 mi.

Ethernet Private Line Service - MAN connectivity options are as follows:

- Customer Site to Customer Site
- Customer Site to an access vendor
- Customer Site to an interexchange carrier
- Customer Site to an AT&T LNS Node

The public convenience and necessity will not be impaired by the discontinuance of these services because there is low demand for these services as there are alternative high-speed transport services available in the market, such as AT&T Dedicated Ethernet services and AT&T Switched Ethernet services.

### Brief Description of the Dates and Methods of Notice to All Affected Customers (47

#### C.F.R. § 63.71(b)(3)):

AT&T mailed its customer notification letters on January 15, 2018 via first class U.S. Mail.<sup>1</sup> Copies of this Application are being sent first class U.S. Mail to the public utilities commissions and governors of the affected states and to the Special Assistant for Telecommunications to the Secretary of Defense as required by 63.71(a) of the Commission's rules.

#### Regulatory Classification of Carrier (47 C.F.R. § 63.71(b)(4)):

AT&T is considered non-dominant with respect to the services to be discontinued.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> See Attachment A.

Questions about this application may be addressed to Debra Clemens, AT&T Services, Inc., Director – Federal Regulatory, 1120 20th Street, NW, Suite 1000, Washington, DC 20036, (202) 457-3066.

#### **Conclusion:**

The public convenience and necessity will not be adversely affected by the discontinuance of these service because there is low market demand, and there are other service alternatives in the market. AT&T respectfully requests that the Commission approve its Section 63.71 Application to discontinue EPLS-MAN services.

Respectfully submitted,

#### By:/s/Terri L. Hoskins

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Its Attorneys

January 16, 2018

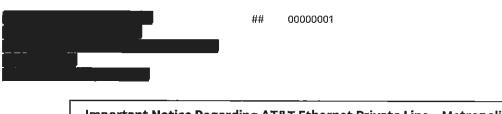
# ATTACHMENT A

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January 15, 2018



Important Notice Regarding AT&T Ethernet Private Line – Metropolitan Area Network (MAN) Service\* Changes in Service Effective March 31, 2018

Thank you for using AT&T for your business service needs. We want to make you aware of planned changes to your AT&T **Ethernet Private Line – Metropolitan Area Network (MAN) Service**.\* Our records indicate active **Ethernet Private Line – Metropolitan Area Network (MAN) Service** with the Billing Account Numbers and Circuit ID Numbers listed at the end of this notice.

<u>Effective on March 31, 2018</u>, pending regulatory approval where such approval is required, <u>Ethernet</u> <u>Private Line – Metropolitan Area Network (MAN) Service will no longer be available for purchase</u> <u>by new or existing customers</u>.\*\*

As a current AT&T customer with <u>Ethernet Private Line – Metropolitan Area Network (MAN)</u> <u>Service</u>, you may retain your existing service(s) subject to the following service restrictions, unless specified to the contrary in your existing service agreement:

 <u>Effective March 31, 2018, AT&T will no longer accept orders for adds, moves, changes or</u> <u>new term plans for Ethernet Private Line – Metropolitan Area Network (MAN) Service, and</u> <u>existing term plans may not be renewed, converted, or extended</u>. Following the expiration of your current Ethernet Private Line – Metropolitan Area Network (MAN) term agreement, AT&T will provide this service on a month-to-month basis until the service is discontinued (currently planned for April 1, 2023 or upon the expiration of your current term agreement, whichever is later).

AT&T Dedicated Ethernet Service (ADE) or AT&T 5witched Ethernet Service (ASE) are the recommended replacement products for all new <u>Ethernet Private Line – Metropolitan Area Network</u> (MAN) Service requests.

If you have any questions concerning this planned service change, please contact your AT&T sales representative, or contact an AT&T service representative at the number located on your bill.

We appreciate your understanding and look forward to serving your future business needs.

Sincerely,

Kevin P. Mitchell Lead Product Marketing Manager AT&T Services, Inc. 95 W. Algonquin Road Arlington Heights, IL 60005 \*Ethernet Private Line – Metropolitan Area Network (MAN) Service is provided by Teleport Communications America, LLC and TC Systems, Inc. under the AT&T Local Private Line Service (TCG) Service Guide (located at http://serviceguidenew.att.com/).

\*\*AT&T currently offers this service in: Arizona, Colorado, Connecticut, Delaware, District of Columbia, Idaho, Iowa, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, Minnesota, Montana, Nebraska, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New Mexico, New York, North Dakota, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, South Dakota, Utah, Virginia, Vermont, Washington, West Virginia, Wyoming.

#### AT&T is required by the FCC to provide the following statement:

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 discontinuance. You may file your comments electronically through the FCC's Electronic Comment 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 section 63.71 Application of AT&T including Teleport Communications America, LLC and TC Systems, Inc. Comments should include specific information about the impact of this proposed discontinuation (or reduction or impairment) upon you or your company, including any inability to acquire reasonable substitute service.

Billing Account	Circuit ID Number	Billing Account	Circuit ID Number
Number		Number	

#### CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, Lacretia Hill, certify that I have, on January 16, 2018 served a copy of the foregoing Section 63.71 Application of AT&T by U.S. Mail postage prepaid to the addresses below:

<u>/s/Lacretia Hill</u> Lacretia Hill

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