OF OREGON

CP 486

In the Matter of)	
TRINSIC COMMUNICATIONS, INC.)	ORDER
*)	OKDEK
Petition for Waiver of Notice Requirement)	
of OAR 860-032-0020.)	

DISPOSITION: APPLICATION APPROVED

On April 18, 2007, Trinsic Communications, Inc. (Trinsic or Company) filed a petition with the Public Utility Commission of Oregon (Commission), requesting a waiver of the 90-day time period for customer notification of abandonment of service under OAR 860-032-0020(11)(a), and permission to notify its customers no less than 30 days before abandoning telecommunications service in Oregon.

OAR 860-032-0020(11)(a) requires a provider that intends to abandon any or all services in Oregon to notify customers of its intent at least 90 days before abandoning the services. If the Commission grants Trinsic's petition for waiver of the 90-day notice requirement and permits a notice period of no less than 30 days, the Company will have met all applicable Commission notice requirements. A description of the filing is contained in the Staff Report, attached as Appendix A, and incorporated by reference.

At its Public Meeting on May 8, 2007, the Commission adopted Staff's Recommendation and approved Trinsic's petition for waiver of the notice requirement.

ORDER

IT IS ORDERED that Trinsic Communications, Inc.'s application to waive the 90-day time period for customer notification of abandonment of services under OAR 860-032-0020(11)(a) is granted, and a notice period of no less than 30 days is permitted.

Made, entered, and effective MAY 1 5 2007

Lee Beyer

John Savage Commissioner

> Ray Baum Commissioner

A party may request rehearing or reconsideration of this order pursuant to ORS 756.561. A request for rehearing or reconsideration must be filed with the Commission within 60 days of the date of service of this order. The request must comply with the requirements in OAR 860-014-0095. A copy of any such request must also be served on each party to the proceeding as provided by OAR 860-013-0070(2). A party may appeal this order by filing a petition for review with the Court of Appeals in compliance with ORS 183.480-183.484.

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PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF OREGON STAFF REPORT PUBLIC MEETING DATE: May 8, 2007

REGULAR	CONSENT X EFFECTIVE DATE NA	_
DATE:	April 30, 2007	
TO:	Public Utility Commission	
FROM:	Celeste Hari A KM	
THROUGH:	Lee Sparling, Dave Booth, and Kay Marinos	
SUBJECT:	TRINSIC COMMUNICATIONS INC: (Docket No. CP 486) Petition for Waiver of Notice Requirement of OAR 860-032-0020.	

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

The Commission should grant the petition by Trinsic Communications, Inc. (Trinsic) seeking a waiver of the 90-day time period for customer notification of abandonment of service under OAR 860-032-0020(11)(a) and permit a notice period of no less than 30 days.

DISCUSSION:

The Commission's abandonment of service rule for competitive telecommunications service providers is OAR 860-032-0020(11). On April 18, 2007, Trinsic filed a request for waiver of OAR 860-032-0020(11)(a).

OAR 860-032-0020(11)(a) requires a competitive provider that intends to abandon (i.e., cease providing) any or all services in Oregon, to notify customers of its intent at least 90 days before abandoning the services. On April 24, 2006, Trinsic filed a notice of abandonment of service in Oregon with the Commission. The company has 617 customers in Oregon. Trinsic seeks permission to notify these customers no less than 30 days before abandoning telecommunications service in Oregon.

OAR 860-032-0020(b) requires the abandoning company to file notice with the Commission at the same time it mails notice to its customers. Trinsic did comply with this requirement on April 24, 2007, when it mailed notice to its customers and to the Commission.

Trinsic is in Chapter 7 bankruptcy and has entered into an Asset Purchase Agreement with another certificated competitive telecommunications company, Matrix Telecom, Inc.



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(Matrix). The completion date of the agreement is set for June 4, 2007 as mandated by the bankruptcy court. Under the agreement, Matrix will receive all of Trinsic's customer base, rights and responsibilities, and other assets. The sale will cause no interruption of service to Trinsic's customer base nor will it affect the rates, terms or conditions of the service. Matrix will continue to provide service to Trinsic's customers using the Trinsic name, possibly co-branded with Matrix, pursuant to Matrix's existing authority.

OAR 860-032-0020(11)(c) specifically allows a telecommunications services provider, such as Trinsic, to abandon service, but only if the exiting provider has complied with the Commission's customer notice requirements for abandonment of service. If the Commission grants Trinsic's petition for waiver of the 90-day notice requirement and permits a notice period of no less than 30 days, the company will have met all applicable Commission notice requirements. Trinsic could then proceed and abandon service effective June 4, 2007.

Waivers should not be granted routinely. However, in this case, a waiver of the 90-day customer notification requirement is needed to enable Trinsic to complete its sale by June 4, 2007, the date mandated by the bankruptcy court.

PROPOSED COMMISSION MOTION:

Trinsic's petition for waiver of the 90-day time period for customer notification of abandonment of service under OAR 860-032-0020(11)(a) be granted, and a notice period of no less than 30 days be permitted.

Trinsic Waiver Petition