

Competitive Telephone Companies

Chapter 2.1 of Title 56 of the Code of Virginia (“Code”) became effective July 1, 2014. (Va. Code § 56-54.2 *et seq.*)

The duties of a company that has elected to be regulated as a Competitive Telephone Company (“CTC”) are set out in § 56-54.6 of the Code, and the Commission’s authority over such CTCs is limited to that provided under § 56-54.5 of the Code.

The definition of a CTC, provided in § 56-54.2 of the Code states:

“Competitive telephone company” means (i) an incumbent local exchange telephone company whose residential dial tone lines (a) were deemed competitive by the Commission throughout the company’s incumbent service territory prior to January 1, 2014, or (b) are declared competitive by the Commission throughout its incumbent service territory on or after January 1, 2014, in a proceeding pursuant to §56.235.5 or (ii) a competitive local exchange telephone company.

In addition, § 56-54.3 of the Code provides in part:

[a]ny telephone company meeting the definition of a competitive telephone company may elect to be regulated as a competitive telephone company pursuant to the provisions of this chapter by providing written notice to the Commission of such election. The election shall be effective 30 days after receipt of the notice by the Commission unless (i) the Commission notifies the electing telephone company within that 30-day period that the telephone company does not meet the definition of a competitive telephone company and (ii) the Commission then commences a proceeding to challenge the election.

○ **Incumbent Local Exchange Companies (“ILECs”) that have elected to be regulated as a CTC:**

- Verizon Virginia LLC – Case No. PUC-2014-00032
- Verizon South Inc. – Case No. PUC-2014-00031
- BRIGHTSPEED OF VIRGINIA (f/k/a Central Telephone Company Of Virginia d/b/a CenturyLink) – CTC Case No. PUC-2016-00010*
- Brightspeed of Appalachia, LLC (f/k/a United Telephone Southeast LLC d/b/a CenturyLink) – CTC Case No. PUC-2016-00037*

○ **Competitive Local Exchange Companies (“CLECs”) that have elected to be regulated as a CTC:**

- MCImetro Access Transmission Services of Virginia, Inc. – Case No. PUC-2014-00030
- Talk America Services, LLC – Case No. PUC-2014-00049
- Vodafone Americas Virginia Inc. – Case No. PUC-2014-00059
- RiverStreet Communications of Virginia, Inc. – Case No. PUC-2015-00049
- Cox Virginia Telcom, L.L.C. – Case No. PUC-2016-00023
- Mobilitie Management, LLC – Case No. PUC-2016-00027
- iGo Technology, Inc – Case No. PUR-2017-00150
- XO Virginia, LLC – Case No. PUR-2018-00163
- ExteNet Asset Entity, LLC – Case No. PUR-2018-00181
- NGA 911, L.L.C. – Case No. PUR-2019-00027
- Hudson Fiber Network, LLC – Case No. PUR-2019-00152
- Shenandoah Cable Television, LLC – Case No. PUR-2019-00166
- QCT, LLC – Case No. PUR-2021-00038
- Uniti Dark Fiber LLC – Case No. PUR-2021-00129
- Verizon Select Services of Virginia Inc. – Case No. PUR-2021-00155
- BIF IV Intrepid OpCo LLC – Case No. PUR-2022-00004
- Cogeco US Enterprise, LLC d/b/a Breezeline (f/k/a Atlantic Broadband Enterprises, LLC) – CTC Case No. PUR-2017-00169*

*Indicates a name change.

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