

- BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF UTAH -

In the Matter of the Joint Application of)
Ionex Communications North, Inc. dba Birch) DOCKET NO. 14-2563-01
Communications and dishNET Wireline,)
LLC dba Liberty-Bell Telecom for Approval) NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR
to Transfer Assets and Customers to Ionex) APPROVAL TO TRANSFER ASSETS AND
Communications North, Inc. dba Birch) CUSTOMERS, NOTICE OF COMMENT
Communications) PERIOD, AND NOTICE OF HEARING

ISSUED: April 29, 2014

NOTICE

On April 22, 2014, Ionex Communications North, Inc. dba Birch Communications (“Ionex”) and dishNET WireLine, LLC dba Liberty-Bell Telecom (“dishNET”) jointly filed approval of a pending transaction between Ionex and dishNET, pursuant to which Ionex will acquire both the customer base that receives telecommunications services in Utah under the trade name Liberty-Bell Telecom and certain assets of Liberty-Bell Telecom. Pursuant to Utah Code Ann. § 54-4-30, “consent shall be given [by the Utah Public Service Commission] only after investigation and hearing and finding that said purchase, lease or acquisition . . . will be in the public interest.”

The pending docket can be viewed on the Commission’s website at:

<http://www.psc.utah.gov/utilities/telecom/telecomindx/2014/14256301indx.html>.

NOTICE OF COMMENT PERIOD

Any interested party may submit comments on the above notification no later than **Thursday, May 22, 2014.**

NOTICE OF HEARING

A hearing in this matter is scheduled for **Thursday, May 29, 2014, beginning at 8:15 a.m., Fourth Floor Hearing Room 451, Heber M. Wells Building, 160 East 300 South, Salt Lake City, Utah.** The hearing will be conducted by the Administrative Law Judge for the Public Service Commission. Parties should come prepared to provide testimony on whether the proposed acquisition of customers and certain assets will be in the public interest.

Individuals wishing to participate in the hearing by telephone should contact the Public Service Commission two days in advance by calling (801) 530-6716 or (toll-free) 1-866-PSC-UTAH (1-866-772-8824). Participants attending by telephone should then call the Public Service Commission at one of the numbers posted above five minutes prior to the hearing to ensure participation.

In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, individuals needing special accommodations (including auxiliary communicative aids and services) during this hearing should notify the Commission at 160 East 300 South, 4th Floor, Salt Lake City, UT 84111, (801) 530-6716, at least three working days before the hearing.

DATED at Salt Lake City, Utah, this 29th day of April, 2014.

/s/ Melanie A. Reif
Administrative Law Judge

Attest:

/s/ Gary L. Widerburg
Commission Secretary
DW#253837

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I CERTIFY that on the 29th day of April, 2014, a true and correct copy of the foregoing was delivered upon the following as indicated below:

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