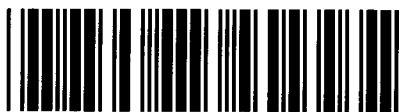




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RE: ***Docket No. 43908 - Application of Vodafone US Operations Inc. to Relinquish its Service Provider Certificate of Operating Authority***

### **NOTICE OF APPROVAL**

This Notice addresses the application of Vodafone US Operations Inc. (Vodafone) to relinquish its Service Provider Certificate of Operating Authority (SPCOA). Public Utility Commission of Texas (Commission) Staff recommends approval of the application. The application is approved.

#### **Fact Statements**

1. Vodafone was granted SPCOA No. 60666 in Docket No. 28634 on November 12, 2003.
2. The applicant is currently certificated as a data-only, facilities-based and resale telecommunication service provider for the entire State of Texas.
3. On December 5, 2014, Vodafone requested relinquishment of SPCOA No. 60666.
4. Vodafone seeks to relinquish its SPCOA because the company does not provide any regulated services in Texas.
5. Vodafone provided its number of regulated customers as zero for the past 60 months.
6. Because the Vodafone has no regulated customers, no customer notice was required or warranted.

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7. The applicant was not required to provide any additional or clarifying technical information regarding this application for relinquishment.
8. Vodafone has no deposits, so no credits were due.
9. The applicant is technically compliant with the relinquishment criteria set out in P.U.C. SUBST. R. 26.111.
10. The Commission's Customer Protection Division complaint database revealed that zero complaints exist for Vodafone for the previous 60 months.
11. Vodafone has a complaint-to-customer ratio of less than six percent; therefore, no further investigation was required.
12. The Commission's Oversight & Enforcement database revealed no outstanding notices of violation against Vodafone.
13. The applicant is currently in compliance regarding its CLEC Annual Reporting requirements and the filing of its HB 1777 quarterly access line count reporting.
14. Commission Staff determined Vodafone's status with the Texas Secretary of State is "ACTIVE."
15. No requests to intervene or requests for hearing were filed in this proceeding and there are no disputed issues of fact, therefore no hearing is necessary.

**Notice**

16. All state agency notices were provided by Vodafone; including the Commission on State Emergency Communications, the Texas Comptroller's Office, the Texas Secretary of State, and the Administrator of the Texas Universal Fund.
17. Notice of the application was published in the *Texas Register* on December 19, 2014.

**Legal Conclusions**

18. The Commission has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to PURA §§ 14.001, 54.154-.159 of the Public Utility Regulatory Act, TEX. UTIL. CODE ANN. §§ 11.001-66.016 (Vernon 2007 & Supp. 2014) (PURA).
19. Vodafone is entitled to approval of this application, having satisfied the requirements of Chapter 54, Subchapter D of PURA and P.U.C. SUBST. R. 26.111(m).
20. Notice of the application was provided in compliance with P.U.C. SUBST. R. 26.111 and P.U.C. PROC. R. 22.54-.55.
21. The requirements for informal disposition pursuant to P.U.C. Proc. R. 22.35 have been met in this proceeding.

**Ordering Paragraphs**

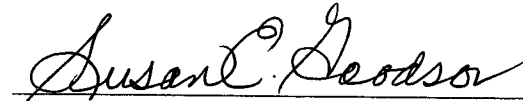
22. The application of Vodafone to relinquish its data-only, facilities-based and resale telecommunications SPCOA No. 60666 is approved<sup>1</sup> pursuant to P.U.C. SUBST. R. 26.111. SPCOA No. 60666 is relinquished effective the date of this Notice of Approval.
23. Vodafone shall cease all operations and cancel any tariffs or interconnection agreements associated with SPCOA No. 60666. The applicant shall notify the Commission on State Emergency Communications that the certificate has been relinquished.
24. All other motions, requests for entry of specific findings of fact and conclusions of law, and any other requests for general or specific relief, if not expressly granted herein, are hereby denied.

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<sup>1</sup> Administrative approval of this uncontested application has no precedential value in a future proceeding.

SIGNED AT AUSTIN, TEXAS the 23<sup>rd</sup> day of January 2015.

PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF TEXAS

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Susan E. Goodson", written over a horizontal line.

SUSAN E. GOODSON

ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE