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Good afternoon,


I am requesting to withdraw the Certificate of Authority (COA) application for Draupnir Infrastructure Group, LLC under Public Utility Commission of Texas Docket No. 53233.

The Commission Staff's Final Recommendation dated May 24<sup>th</sup> 2022 recommends to the Public Utility Commission of Texas that Draupnir Infrastructure Group, LLC's application be denied. Applicant contacted Kenneth Ford at the Public Utility Commission of Texas to request clarification on whether a COA was required for an internet only service provider to operate in the State of Texas. Mr. Ford's response:

"The PUCT does not regulate, oversee, or certificate internet services nor internet service only providers. Since we have no jurisdiction over ISPs, we have no authority to require them to provide any specific kind of service. If a company that offers internet services wishes to also provide local exchange telephone service, basic local telecommunications service, or switched access service to customers, they would then need to seek a Certificate of Operating Authority or Service Provider Certificate of Operating Authority (COA/SPCOA). Even with certification for Plain Old Telephone Service, the PUCT would not have oversight over the other types of services that may also be offered by the company that are outside of the certification. If an ISP who provides only internet services wishes to operate in Texas, they would have to be legal to do business in the state by registering with the Texas Secretary of State and Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts, but would not need any kind of special certificate issued by the state for internet services."

Given this, Applicant requests that the application for a Certificate of Authority from the Texas Public Utility Commission under Docket No. 53233 be withdrawn, rather than denied.

Respectfully Sent,



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