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AMENDMENT TO CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORITY TO CONSTRUCT OR OPERATE TELEPHONE LINE, PLANT OR SYSTEM

IN RE: **DOCKET NO. 44126:** Application of CenturyTel Broadband Services, LLC to Change the Name on Its Certificate of Authority to Construct or Operate Telephone Line, Plant or System.

Certificate No. X-7862

Approved: February 17, 2022

Amended: February 7, 2023

BY THE COMMISSION

On October 15, 2021, CenturyTel Broadband Services, LLC (hereinafter referred to as the "Company") filed with the Georgia Public Service Commission (hereinafter referred to as the "Commission") an application for a Certificate of Authority to Construct or Operate Telephone Line Plant or System pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 46-5-163(b). The application was approved by the Commission on February 17, 2022 and a certificate of authority was issued.

On January 19, 2023, CenturyTel Broadband Services, LLC filed with the Commission a request to change the business name on its Certificate of Authority to Brightspeed Broadband, LLC.

FINDINGS OF FACT AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

The Company provided a written request for name change on January 19, 2023, which included a copy of the Amended Certificate of Authority with Name Change on file

with the Georgia Secretary of State's office. The Commission finds that the request appears to be reasonable and notes there has been no objection to the request.

The Commission concludes as a matter of law that it has the authority to modify this certificate pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 46-5-168(b)(2).

WHEREFORE, it is

ORDERED, that the certificate of authority to construct or operate telephone line, plant or system, certificate number X-7862, that was approved on February 17, 2022 is hereby amended to reflect the name change from CenturyTel Broadband Services, LLC to Brightspeed Broadband, LLC.

ORDERED FURTHER, that all ordering paragraphs as contained in the certificate order approved February 17, 2022, that are not modified by this Order, as well as all amendments and supplements filed in this docket remain in full force and effect.

ORDERED FURTHER, that if the Company desires to do business in Georgia under any name which does not appear on this certificate, Applicant shall submit an application for amendment to its certification stating the name under which it plans to conduct business.

ORDERED FURTHER, that the Company shall contribute to the Universal Access Fund pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 46-5-167 and Docket No. 5825-U.

ORDERED FURTHER, that the Company must comply with O.C.G.A. § 25-9-1 et seq. regarding the practices and procedures that must be employed when a telecommunications provider or its designee is excavating in the state of Georgia.

ORDERED FURTHER, that pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 46-5-168(b)(2) the certificate granted herein shall be subject to revocation if the Company fails to notify the Commission of any change in its contact address on file with the Commission, fails to comply with Commission requirements or orders, or violates any applicable law or Commission rule.

ORDERED FURTHER, that all statements of fact, law and regulatory policy contained within the preceding sections of this Order be adopted as findings of facts and conclusions of law, and conclusions of regulatory policy of the Commission.

ORDERED FURTHER, that jurisdiction over this matter is expressly retained for the purpose of entering such further Order or Orders as this Commission may deem just and proper.

ORDERED FURTHER, that any motion for reconsideration or rehearing in this case shall not have the effect of staying this Order of the Commission, except insofar as the Commission may otherwise provide.

BY ORDER OF THE GEORGIA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION, this 7th day of February 2023.

Sallie Tanner
Executive Secretary

DATE: 2-13-23

Tricia Pridemore
Chairman

DATE: 2-13-23