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January 8, 2015

Florida Public Service Commission 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0850

Re: Request of Nexus Communications, Inc. d/b/a Nexus Communications TSI, Inc. (TX780) to Cancel CLEC Authority and Relinquish ETC Designation

Dear Sir/Madam:

Nexus Communications, Inc. d/b/a Nexus Communications TSI, Inc. ("Nexus") (Company Code TX780), by counsel, hereby gives notice to the Florida Public Service Commission ("Commission") that it intends to discontinue its provision of wireline local exchange services throughout the state of Florida on January 20, 2015. The impact of this discontinuance will be minimal because Nexus currently provides service to only 50 subscribers, all of whom have multiple options for alternative service providers. In support of this filing, Nexus submits the following information.

I. Request to Cancel CLEC Certificate and Withdraw Price List

Nexus was granted a certificate to provide Competitive Local Exchange Telecommunications ("CLEC") service in Florida on May 28, 2004 in Docket No. 040275-TX (Order No. PSC-04-0555-PAA-TX). Nexus is current with all Regulatory Assessment Fees owed the Commission. Accordingly, Nexus respectfully requests that the Commission cancel its CLEC certificate. January 8, 2015 Page 2

Nexus has on file with the Commission its Florida Price List No. 1 applying to local exchange service. Nexus respectfully requests permission to withdraw that price list.

II. Request to Relinquish ETC Designation

On April 25, 2006, the Commission designated Nexus as a Lifeline-only eligible telecommunications carrier ("ETC") in the exchange areas served by AT&T Florida in Docket No.050889-TX (Order No. PSC-06-0350-PAA-TX). The rules of the Federal Communications Commission ("FCC")¹ provide that an ETC in an area served by more than one ETC shall be permitted to relinquish its ETC designation. A number of other ETCs, including AT&T Florida, Budget PrePay, Inc., and TracFone Wireless, currently operate in Nexus's designated service area. Indeed, the Universal Service Administrative Company website lists approximately 25 ETCs currently providing Lifeline-supported services in Florida.² Accordingly, Nexus hereby requests that it be permitted to relinquish its ETC designation.³

III. Subscriber Notice

On December 16, 2014, Nexus sent written notice by first-class mail to all affected subscribers, notifying them that Nexus will cease providing the prepaid local exchange and prepaid Lifeline local exchange services that they currently receive effective January 20, 2015. Nexus has given subscribers more than 30 days' prior written notice of the discontinuance.

¹ 47 C.F.R. § 54.205(a).

² See <u>http://www.lifelinesupport.org/ls/companies/CompanyListing.aspx?state=FL&stateName=Florida</u>

³ USAC has assigned Nexus study area code 219907 for its provision of wireline Lifeline-supported services in Florida. Nexus will ask USAC to cancel that study area code.

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A sample copy of the notice, which also complies with the requirements of the FCC, is appended as Exhibit 1.⁴ The notice clearly underscores that the subscriber must make arrangements with another carrier to avoid loss of service and provides a toll-free telephone number that customers may call to reach Nexus's customer service representatives for assistance with this transition.

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Should you have any questions, please contact Jim Tomlinson (jimtomlinson@dwt.com or 202-973-4253) or Danielle Frappier (daniellefrappier@dwt.com or 202-973-4242).

Respectfully submitted,

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⁴ Nexus has filed an application with the FCC under 47 C.F.R. § 63.71 to discontinue the domestic interstate services provided as part of these service offerings. A copy of that filing has been served on the Commission. Nexus does not provide international services.

Exhibit 1 Sample Subscriber Notice



Nexus Communications, Inc. P.O. Box 247168 Columbus, OH 43224

December 16, 2014

Dear TSI Home Phone Subscriber:

We regret to inform you that Nexus Communications, Inc. d/b/a TSI ("TSI") will be discontinuing home phone service in your state on January 20th, 2015. Your action is required! You must select a new provider if you wish to continue to have home phone service. In order to ensure a smooth transition to your new provider - including keeping your current telephone number - you should find a new provider of home phone service by January 20th, 2015.

Find New Provider By: by January 20th, 2015

TSI Service Will Be Shut Down: by January 20th, 2015

Other providers of home phone service in your state include Additional providers may be listed in your local telephone book. You will need to contact the other company to set up a new account.

Please provide your telephone number to the new service provider when making arrangements to obtain new service:

FCC Notice

The FCC will normally authorize this proposed discontinuance of service (or reduction or impairment) unless it is shown that customers would be unable to receive service or a reasonable substitute from another carrier or that the public convenience and necessity is otherwise adversely affected. If you wish to object, you should file your comments as soon as possible, but no later than 15 days after the Commission releases public notice of the proposed discontinuance. Address them to the Federal Communications Commission, Wireline Competition Bureau, Competition Policy Division, Washington, DC 20554, and include in your comments a reference to the § 63.71 Application of Nexus Communications, Inc. d/b/a TSI. Comments should include specific information about the impact of this

proposed discontinuance (or reduction or impairment) upon you or your company, including any inability to acquire reasonable substitute service.

TSI regrets any inconvenience these changes may cause you.

Sincerely,

Nexus Communications, Inc. d/b/a TSI Customer Service Department

1-866-392-7123