



# PUBLIC NOTICE

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**COMMENTS INVITED ON SECTION 214 APPLICATION(S) TO GRANDFATHER  
DOMESTIC NON-DOMINANT CARRIER TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND/OR  
INTERCONNECTED VOIP SERVICES**

**WC Docket No(s). 24-225, 24-226, 24-228 and 24-229**

**Comments Due: August 16, 2024**

Unless otherwise specified, the following procedures and dates apply to the application(s) (the Section 214 Discontinuance Application(s)) listed in the Appendix.

The Wireline Competition Bureau (Bureau), upon initial review, has found the Section 214 Discontinuance Application(s) listed herein to be acceptable for filing and subject to the procedures set forth in Section 63.71 of the Commission's rules.<sup>1</sup> The application(s) request authority, under section 214 of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended,<sup>2</sup> and section 63.71 of the Commission's rules,<sup>3</sup> to discontinue, reduce, or impair certain domestic telecommunications service(s) (Affected Service(s)) in specified geographic areas (Service Area(s)) as applicable and as fully described in each application.

In accordance with section 63.71(f) of the Commission's rules, the Section 214 Discontinuance Application(s) listed in the Appendix will be deemed granted automatically on **September 1, 2024**, the 31st day after the release date of this public notice, unless the Commission notifies any applicant(s) that their grant will not be automatically effective.<sup>4</sup> We note that the date on which an application for Commission authorization is deemed granted may be different from the date on which applicants are authorized to discontinue, reduce, or impair service ("Authorized Date"). Any applicant whose application has been deemed granted may discontinue, reduce or impair their Affected Service(s) in their Service Area(s) on or after the authorized date(s) specified in the Appendix, in accordance with their filed representations. Accordingly, pursuant to section 63.71(f), and the terms outlined in each application, absent further Commission action, each applicant may discontinue, reduce or impair the Affected Service(s) in the Service Area(s) described in their application on or after the authorized discontinuance date(s) listed in the Appendix for that application. For purposes of computation of time when filing a petition for reconsideration, application for review, or petition for judicial review of the Commission's decision(s), the date of "public notice" shall be the later of the auto grant date stated above in this Public

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<sup>1</sup> 47 CFR § 63.71.

<sup>2</sup> 47 U.S.C. § 214.

<sup>3</sup> 47 CFR § 63.71.

<sup>4</sup> See 47 CFR § 63.71(f) (stating, in relevant part, that an application filed by a non-dominant carrier "shall be automatically granted on the 31st day... unless the Commission has notified the applicant that the grant will not be automatically effective.").

Notice, or the release date(s) of any further public notice(s) or order(s) announcing final Commission action, as applicable. Should no petitions for reconsideration, applications for review, or petitions for judicial review be timely filed, the proceeding(s) listed in this Public Notice shall be terminated, and the docket(s) will be closed.

Comments objecting to any of the applications listed in the Appendix must be filed with the Commission on or before **August 16, 2024**. Comments should refer to the specific WC Docket No. and Comp. Pol. File No. listed in the Appendix for the particular Section 214 Discontinuance Application that the commenter intends to address. Comments should include specific information about the impact of the proposed discontinuance on the commenter, including any inability to acquire reasonable substitute service. Comments may be filed using the Commission's Electronic Comment Filing System (ECFS) or by filing paper copies.<sup>5</sup> Comments may be filed electronically using the Internet by accessing the ECFS: <http://apps.fcc.gov/ecfs>. Filers should follow the instructions provided on the Web site for submitting comments. Generally, only one copy of an electronic submission must be filed. In completing the transmittal screen, filers should include their full name, U.S. Postal Service mailing address, and the applicable docket number.

Parties who choose to file paper copies must file an original and one copy of each filing. Such filings can be sent by hand or messenger delivery, by commercial courier, or by the U.S. Postal Service. All filings must be addressed to the Secretary, Federal Communications Commission. Hand-delivered or messenger-delivered paper filings for the Commission's Secretary are accepted between 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. by the FCC's mailing contractor at 9050 Junction Drive, Annapolis Junction, MD 20701. All hand deliveries must be held together with rubber bands or fasteners. Any envelopes and boxes must be disposed of before entering the building. Commercial courier deliveries (any deliveries not by the U.S. Postal Service) must be sent to 9050 Junction Drive, Annapolis Junction, MD 20701. Filings sent by U.S. Postal Service First-Class Mail, Priority Mail, and Priority Mail Express must be sent to 45 L Street NE, Washington, DC 20554.

This proceeding shall be treated as a "permit-but-disclose" proceeding in accordance with the Commission's *ex parte* rules.<sup>6</sup> Persons making *ex parte* presentations must file a copy of any written presentation or a memorandum summarizing any oral presentation within two business days after the presentation (unless a different deadline applicable to the Sunshine period applies). Persons making oral *ex parte* presentations are reminded that memoranda summarizing the presentation must (1) list all persons attending or otherwise participating in the meeting at which the *ex parte* presentation was made, and (2) summarize all data presented and arguments made during the presentation. If the presentation consisted in whole or in part of the presentation of data or arguments already reflected in the presenter's written comments, memoranda or other filings in the proceeding, the presenter may provide citations to such data or arguments in his or her prior comments, memoranda, or other filings (specifying the relevant page and/or paragraph numbers where such data or arguments can be found) in lieu of summarizing them in the memorandum. Documents shown or given to Commission staff during *ex parte* meetings are deemed to be written *ex parte* presentations and must be filed consistent with rule 1.1206(b). In proceedings governed by rule 1.49(f) or for which the Commission has made available a method of electronic filing, written *ex parte* presentations and memoranda summarizing oral *ex parte* presentations, and all attachments thereto, must be filed through the electronic comment filing system available for that proceeding, and must be filed in their native format (e.g., .doc, .xml, .ppt, searchable .pdf). Participants in this proceeding should familiarize themselves with the Commission's *ex parte* rules.

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<sup>5</sup> See *Electronic Filing of Documents in Rulemaking Proceedings*, 63 FR 24121 (1998).

<sup>6</sup> 47 CFR § 1.1200 *et seq.*

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For further information, please see the contact(s) for the specific discontinuance proceeding you are interested in as listed in the Appendix. For further information on procedures regarding section 214 please visit <https://www.fcc.gov/encyclopedia/domestic-section-214-discontinuance-service>.

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## Appendix

- 1) **Applicant(s): AT&T Services, Inc., on behalf of its affiliate Southwestern Bell Telephone Company, LLC, d/b/a AT&T Texas (AT&T)**  
**WC Docket No. 24-225, Comp. Pol. File No. 1930**  
**Link – [https://www.fcc.gov/ecfs/search/search-filings/results?q=\(proceedings.name:\(%2224-225\\*%22\)\)](https://www.fcc.gov/ecfs/search/search-filings/results?q=(proceedings.name:(%2224-225*%22)))**  
**Affected Service(s)** – AT&T Phone for Business (business VoIP service)  
**Service Area(s)** – in one wire center in Texas, as specified in the application  
**Authorized Date(s)** – on or after September 1, 2024  
**Contact(s)** – Kimberly Jackson, (202) 418-7393 (voice), Kimberly.Jackson@fcc.gov, of the Competition Policy Division, Wireline Competition Bureau  
**Note:** AT&T states that this application covers four customers who were inadvertently omitted from receiving the customer notice in a related application in WC Docket No. 23-399 that was automatically granted on February 12, 2024 for the same Affected Service. AT&T states further that, on or after September 1, 2024, it plans to grandfather the Affected Service(s) in the affected Service Area(s) as follows: AT&T will no longer allow new orders, renewal of service agreements, or requests for physical changes, including moves to different service addresses, unless a customer’s contract expressly allows such orders or changes. Following the expiration of any current term agreement, AT&T will provide the Affected Service(s) on a month-to-month basis during which it may change the rates, terms, and conditions of the Affected Service(s) upon notification.
- 2) **Applicant(s): AT&T Services, Inc., on behalf of its affiliates<sup>7</sup> (AT&T)**  
**WC Docket No. 24-226, Comp. Pol. File No. 1931**  
**Link – [https://www.fcc.gov/ecfs/search/search-filings/results?q=\(proceedings.name:\(%2224-226\\*%22\)\)](https://www.fcc.gov/ecfs/search/search-filings/results?q=(proceedings.name:(%2224-226*%22)))**  
**Affected Service(s)** – AT&T Residential Local Service and AT&T Business Local Exchange Access Line Service  
**Service Area(s)** – in 49 wire centers in sections of Florida, Illinois, Indiana, Kentucky, Louisiana, Michigan, Missouri, Ohio, Oklahoma, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, and Wisconsin, as specified in the application  
**Authorized Date(s)** – on or after September 1, 2024  
**Contact(s)** – Kimberly Jackson, (202) 418-7393 (voice), Kimberly.Jackson@fcc.gov, of the Competition Policy Division, Wireline Competition Bureau  
**Note:** AT&T states that this application covers 253 customers who were inadvertently omitted from receiving the customer notice in a related application in WC Docket No. 23-400 that was automatically granted on February 6, 2024 for the same Affected Services. AT&T states further that, on or after September 1, 2024, it plans to grandfather the Affected Service(s) in the affected Service Area(s) as follows: AT&T will no longer allow new orders, renewal of service agreements, or requests for physical changes, including moves to different service addresses, unless a customer’s contract expressly allows such orders or changes. Following the expiration of any current term agreement, AT&T will provide the Affected Service(s) on a month-to-month

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<sup>7</sup> BellSouth Telecommunications, LLC, d/b/a AT&T Florida, AT&T Kentucky, AT&T Louisiana, AT&T South Carolina, and AT&T Tennessee; Illinois Bell Telephone, LLC, d/b/a AT&T Illinois; Indiana Bell Telephone Company, LLC, d/b/a AT&T Indiana; Michigan Bell Telephone Company, d/b/a AT&T Michigan; The Ohio Bell Telephone Company, LLC, d/b/a AT&T Ohio; Southwestern Bell Telephone Company, LLC, d/b/a AT&T Missouri, AT&T Oklahoma, and AT&T Texas; and Wisconsin Bell, LLC, d/b/a AT&T Wisconsin

basis during which it may change the rates, terms, and conditions of the Affected Service(s) upon notification.

**3) Applicant(s): AT&T Services, Inc., on behalf of its affiliate BellSouth Telecommunications, LLC, d/b/a AT&T Florida and AT&T Tennessee (AT&T)**

**WC Docket No. 24-228, Comp. Pol. File No. 1933**

**Link** – [https://www.fcc.gov/ecfs/search/search-filings/results?q=\(proceedings.name:\(%2224-228\\*%22\)\)](https://www.fcc.gov/ecfs/search/search-filings/results?q=(proceedings.name:(%2224-228*%22)))

**Affected Service(s)** – legacy DS1 service

**Service Area(s)** – in sections of Florida and Tennessee, as specified in the application

**Authorized Date(s)** – on or after September 1, 2024

**Contact(s)** – Kimberly Jackson, (202) 418-7393 (voice), Kimberly.Jackson@fcc.gov, of the Competition Policy Division, Wireline Competition Bureau

**Note:** AT&T states that this application covers four customers who were inadvertently omitted from receiving the customer notice in a related application in WC Docket No. 23-397 that was automatically granted on February 12, 2024 for the same Affected Service. AT&T states further that, on or after September 1, 2024, it plans to grandfather the Affected Service(s) in the affected Service Area(s) as follows: AT&T will no longer allow new orders, renewal of service agreements, or requests for physical changes, including moves to different service addresses, unless a customer’s contract expressly allows such orders or changes. Following the expiration of any current term agreement, AT&T will provide the Affected Service(s) on a month-to-month basis during which it may change the rates, terms, and conditions of the Affected Service(s) upon notification.

**4) Applicant(s): AT&T Services, Inc., on behalf of its affiliates<sup>8</sup> (AT&T)**

**WC Docket No. 24-229, Comp. Pol. File No. 1934**

**Link** – [https://www.fcc.gov/ecfs/search/search-filings/results?q=\(proceedings.name:\(%2224-229\\*%22\)\)](https://www.fcc.gov/ecfs/search/search-filings/results?q=(proceedings.name:(%2224-229*%22)))

**Affected Service(s)** – DS1 and DS3 services

**Service Area(s)** – in sections of four wire centers located in Illinois, Missouri, Ohio and Tennessee, as specified in the application

**Authorized Date(s)** – on or after September 1, 2024

**Contact(s)** – Kimberly Jackson, (202) 418-7393 (voice), Kimberly.Jackson@fcc.gov, of the Competition Policy Division, Wireline Competition Bureau

**Note:** AT&T states that, on or after September 1, 2024, it plans to grandfather the Affected Service(s) in the affected Service Area(s) as follows: AT&T will no longer allow new orders, renewal of service agreements, or requests for physical changes, including moves to different service addresses, unless a customer’s contract expressly allows such orders or changes. Following the expiration of any current term agreement, AT&T will provide the Affected Service(s) on a month-to-month basis during which it may change the rates, terms, and conditions of the Affected Service(s) upon notification.

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<sup>8</sup> Illinois Bell Telephone, LLC, d/b/a AT&T Illinois; BellSouth Telecommunications, LLC, d/b/a AT&T Tennessee; The Ohio Bell Telephone Company, LLC, d/b/a AT&T Ohio; Southwestern Bell Telephone Company, LLC, d/b/a AT&T Missouri