Service Date: November 30, 2017

BEFORE THE WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION,

DOCKET UT-170918

Complainant,

ORDER 01

v.

APPTIX, INC.; BUSINESS DISCOUNT PLAN, INC.; CYTEL, INC.; INETWORKS GROUP, INC.; IPDATASTREAM, LLC; RELIANCE GLOBALCOM SERVICES, INC.,

REVOKING REGISTRATIONS FOR FAILURE TO FILE ANNUAL REPORTS AND PAY REGULATORY FEES

Respondents.

BACKGROUND

- On September 22, 2017, the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (Commission) issued to Apptix, Inc.; Business Discount Plan, Inc.; Cytel, Inc.; iNetworks Group, Inc.; IPDATASTREAM, LLC; and Reliance Globalcom Services, Inc. (the Companies) a Notice of Intent to Revoke Competitively Classified Telecommunications Company Registration and Opportunity to Request a Hearing for failure to file a 2016 annual report and pay regulatory fees (Notice).
- The Notice informed the Companies that the Commission was taking action due to their failure to comply with Commission statutes and rules. The Notice gave each company the option, within 30 days, to come into compliance with Commission statutes and rules by submitting the delinquent annual report and paying the delinquent regulatory fees, or to request a hearing to demonstrate why its registration should not be revoked. The Notice was mailed to the Companies by first class mail to the address on file with the Commission.
- On October 30, 2017, Commission staff (Staff) filed with the Commission a Status of Compliance of Companies Named in the Notice of Intent to Cancel (Status Report). Staff's Status Report noted that the 30-day period to request a hearing had passed, that none of the Companies had requested a hearing, and that each of the Companies remained out of compliance with annual reporting and/or regulatory fee requirements.

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4 Staff recommends the Commission revoke the Companies' telecommunications registrations for failure to file 2016 annual reports and pay regulatory fees.

DISCUSSION AND DECISION

- Every public service company operating in Washington is required to file an annual report that documents the company's operations during the preceding year. In addition, every public service company the Commission regulates must pay a regulatory fee each year on or before the date specified by the Commission. Commission rules require all regulated telecommunications companies to file annual reports and pay regulatory fees by May 1. The Commission may revoke the registration of a telecommunications company for failure to file an annual report or pay regulatory fees.
- Apptix, Inc. is registered under RCW 80.36 and WAC 480-121 to provide telecommunications services in Washington. As such, Apptix, Inc. is required to submit an annual report to the Commission and pay regulatory fees. A review of the Commission's files and records shows that Apptix, Inc. failed to file its 2016 annual report and failed to pay regulatory fees. Accordingly, the Commission should revoke Apptix, Inc.'s telecommunications company registration.
- Business Discount Plan, Inc. is registered under RCW 80.36 and WAC 480-121 to provide telecommunications services in Washington. As such, Business Discount Plan, Inc. is required to submit an annual report to the Commission and pay regulatory fees. A review of the Commission's files and records shows that Business Discount Plan, Inc. failed to file its 2016 annual report and failed to pay regulatory fees. Accordingly, the Commission should revoke Business Discount Plan, Inc.'s telecommunications company registration.
- Cytel, Inc. is registered under RCW 80.36 and WAC 480-121 to provide telecommunications services in Washington. As such, Cytel, Inc. is required to submit an annual report to the Commission and pay regulatory fees. A review of the Commission's files and records shows that Cytel, Inc. failed to file its 2016 annual report and failed to pay regulatory fees. Accordingly, the Commission should revoke Cytel, Inc.'s telecommunications company registration.

² See RCW 80.24.010.

¹ RCW 81.04.080.

³ See WAC 480-120-382 (competitively classified companies); WAC 480-120-385 (companies not classified as competitive).

⁴ See WAC 480-121-060.

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iNetworks Group, Inc. is registered under RCW 80.36 and WAC 480-121 to provide telecommunications services in Washington. As such, iNetworks Group, Inc. is required to submit an annual report to the Commission and pay regulatory fees. A review of the Commission's files and records shows that iNetworks Group, Inc. failed to file its 2016 annual report and failed to pay regulatory fees. Accordingly, the Commission should revoke iNetworks Group, Inc.'s telecommunications company registration.

- IPDATASTREAM, LLC is registered under RCW 80.36 and WAC 480-121 to provide telecommunications services in Washington. As such, IPDATASTREAM, LLC is required to submit an annual report to the Commission and pay regulatory fees. A review of the Commission's files and records shows that IPDATASTREAM, LLC failed to file its 2016 annual report and failed to pay regulatory fees. Accordingly, the Commission should revoke IPDATASTREAM, LLC's telecommunications company registration.
- 11 Reliance Globalcom Services, Inc. is registered under RCW 80.36 and WAC 480-121 to provide telecommunications services in Washington. As such, Reliance Globalcom Services, Inc. is required to submit an annual report to the Commission and pay regulatory fees. A review of the Commission's files and records shows that Reliance Globalcom Services, Inc. failed to file its 2016 annual report and failed to pay regulatory fees. Accordingly, the Commission should revoke Reliance Globalcom Services, Inc.'s telecommunications company registration.

FINDINGS AND CONCLUSIONS

- 12 (1) The Commission is an agency of the State of Washington, vested by statute with authority to regulate rates, rules, regulations, practices, and accounts of public service companies, including telecommunications companies.
- 13 (2) Apptix, Inc.; Business Discount Plan, Inc.; Cytel, Inc.; iNetworks Group, Inc.; IPDATASTREAM, LLC; and Reliance Globalcom Services, Inc. are each a "public service company" and "telecommunications company" as those terms are defined and used in RCW Title 80.
- On September 22, 2017, the Commission issued to Apptix, Inc.; Business Discount Plan, Inc.; Cytel, Inc.; iNetworks Group, Inc.; IPDATASTREAM, LLC; and Reliance Globalcom Services, Inc. a Notice of Intent to Revoke Competitively Classified Telecommunications Company Registration and Opportunity to Request a Hearing for failure to file a 2016 annual report and pay regulatory fees. The Notice was properly served on each of the above-named telecommunications companies. No party requested a hearing.

15 (4) Apptix, Inc.; Business Discount Plan, Inc.; Cytel, Inc.; iNetworks Group, Inc.; IPDATASTREAM, LLC; and Reliance Globalcom Services, Inc. each failed to file annual reports for 2016 and/or pay regulatory fees.

16 (5) The failure of Apptix, Inc.; Business Discount Plan, Inc.; Cytel, Inc.; iNetworks Group, Inc.; IPDATASTREAM, LLC; and Reliance Globalcom Services, Inc. to file their annual reports for 2016 and pay regulatory fees constitutes good cause to revoke their telecommunications registrations.

ORDER

- THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT The Commission revokes the telecommunications company registrations held by Apptix, Inc.; Business Discount Plan, Inc.; Cytel, Inc.; iNetworks Group, Inc.; IPDATASTREAM, LLC; and Reliance Globalcom Services, Inc. for failure to file annual reports for 2016 and pay regulatory fees.
- The Secretary has been delegated authority to enter this order on behalf of the Commissioners under WAC 480-07-904(1)(h).

DATED at Olympia, Washington, and effective November 29, 2017.

WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

STEVEN V. KING Executive Director and Secretary

NOTICE TO PARTIES: This is an order delegated to the Executive Secretary for decision. As authorized in WAC 480-07-904(3), you must file any request for Commission review of this order no later than 14 days after the date the decision is posted on the Commission's website.