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Please direct questions concerning this Transmittal to me at the contact information below.

Respectfully submitted,

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**Before the
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In the Matter of)
Section 63.71 Application of)
TDS Broadband Service LLC)
For Authority Pursuant to Section 214 of)
the Communications Act of 1934,)
To Discontinue Remote Call Forwarding)
service)

**SECTION 63.71 APPLICATION OF
TDS Broadband Service LLC**

TDS Broadband Service LLC (“Applicant”) seeks authorization pursuant to Section 214(a) of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, 47 U.S.C. §214(a) and Section 63.71 of the Commission’s rules, 47 C.F.R. § 63.71, to discontinue its Remote Call Forwarding service to the Puyallup, Washington and Culver, Grant Pass, Hermiston, Lake Oswego, Portland and The Dalles, Oregon market areas.

The Applicant provides the following information pursuant to Section 63.71 of the Commission’s Rules:

1. Name and Address of the Carrier: TDS Broadband Service LLC, 525 Junction Road, Madison, Wisconsin 53717.
2. Date of Planned Service Discontinuance: Applicant plans to discontinue the affected services on April 1, 2019. Applicant understands that this Application will be granted automatically on the 31st day after public notice of its filing unless the Commission notifies Applicant to the contrary.
3. Points of Geographic Areas of Service Affected: Applicant proposes to discontinue the affected services in the Puyallup, Washington and Culver, Grant Pass, Hermiston, Lake Oswego, Portland and The Dalles, Oregon market areas.
4. Description of Service Affected: Remote Call Forwarding service provides allows a customer the ability to have calls forwarded on a permanent basis to a designated telephone number.
5. Brief Description of the Dates and Methods of Notice to All Affected Customers: Applicant sent a written notification of the planned discontinuance to customers utilizing the services in accordance with Section 63.71 (a) of the Commission’s Rules. Customer notifications were sent on February 8, 2019. A copy of the notification is attached to this application.

6. Regulatory Classification of Carrier: Applicant is considered non-dominant with respect to the services to be discontinued.

7. Other Information: In accordance with Section 63.71(a) of the Commission's Rules, a copy of this application is being mailed concurrently with its filing to the public utilities commissions, governors and the Special Assistant for Telecommunications to the Secretary of Defense. No federally recognized tribes are affected by this planned discontinuance. Please direct questions regarding this application to the undersigned.

Conclusion: The public convenience and necessity will not be adversely affected by the discontinuance of the Applicant's Remote Call Forwarding service to the market areas detailed above. Advance notice has been provided to all affected customers, giving them ample time to arrange substitute services, which are readily available. Therefore, Applicant respectfully requests that the Commission approve this Section 63.71 application.

Respectfully submitted,



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Attachment

URGENT: ACTION REQUIRED ON
YOUR BENDBROADBAND
REMOTE CALL FORWARDING SERVICE

<Date>

<Business Name>

<Address>

<City>, <State> <Zip>

Re Out-of-territory phone number: <Phone number>

Dear <Customer name>,

We wanted to provide advance notice of an important change to your remote call forwarding service on this phone number: <insert phone number>. This change will require action on your part in order to avoid service interruption.

The platform that currently supports the remote call forwarding service is being decommissioned on Monday, April 1, 2019. This means the service at <insert phone number> will be disconnected and will no longer work unless you take action now.

Please contact your BendBroadband account executive <insert AE name> at <insert AE phone number> prior to April 1, 2019 to review your account and discuss alternative phone options.

This change only affects your remote call forwarding service. None of your other BendBroadband services will be impacted.

If you decide to move your remote call forwarding service to a different service provider, you must switch providers prior to April 1, 2019.

Sincerely,

The BendBroadband Team

P.S. Your remote call forwarding service <insert number> will be decommissioned on April 1, 2019.

You must take action prior to this date. Call your BendBroadband account executive <insert AE name> at <insert AE phone number> to discuss options.

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FCC notice for phone service discontinuance

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 10 days after the Commission releases public notice of the proposed discontinuance. You may file your comments electronically through the FCC's Electronic Comment Filing System using the docket number established in the Commission's public notice for this proceeding, or you may 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 TDS Broadband Service LLC d/b/a/ BendBroadband. 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.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, Jennifer R. Heise, do hereby certify that on this 8th day of February 2019, I caused to be served a true and correct copy of the foregoing Section 63.71 Application of TDS Broadband Service LLC via first-class U.S. Mail, postage prepaid, to the following:


Secretary of Defense
Attn: Special Assistant for Telecommunications
The Pentagon
Washington, DC 20301

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