

November 4, 2019

VIA OVERNIGHT DELIVERY

Mark Johnson, Executive Director Washington Utilities & Transport Commission 621 Woodland Square Loop SE Lacey, WA 98503

RE: CallCatchers, Inc. d/b/a FreedomVoice Systems – Request to Cancel Certificate as a Competitive Telecommunications Company and Withdraw Tariff

Dear Mr. Johnson,

On behalf of CallCatchers, Inc. d/b/a FreedomVoice Systems ("'FreedomVoice" or "the Company"), undersigned counsel hereby submits the Company's request to voluntarily surrender its Certificate as a Competitive Telecommunications Company ("Certificate") and withdraw any Company tariff on record, effective as soon as possible. At the time of this filing, and to the best of its knowledge, FreedomVoice is in good standing before the Commission and current with its regulatory compliance obligations (including annual reports and payment of regulatory fees).

FreedomVoice was granted a Certificate to provide telecommunication services as a Competitive Telecommunications Company in the state of Washington on August 16, 2010 (effective on September 8, 2010) in Docket No. UT-101349.

In 2016, the Company was acquired by Media Temple, Inc., an affiliate of GoDaddy.com LLC ("GoDaddy").¹ GoDaddy, an affiliate of FreedomVoice, is also licensed by this Commission to provide telecommunication services as a Competitive Telecommunications Company, pursuant to the Certificate granted on the of September 23, 2016 in Docket No. UT-161028. At the time of this filing, and to the best of its knowledge, GoDaddy is also in good standing and current with its regulatory compliance obligations.

Since the acquisition nearly three years ago, FreedomVoice has continued to operate as a wholly owned subsidiary of GoDaddy Inc. Throughout this period, FreedomVoice has provided service to consumers alongside the "GoDaddy" brand, as "FreedomVoice-A GoDaddy Company."

As the Commission was notified at the time of the merger, FreedomVoice assets and operations, including its Certificate, have been assigned to GoDaddy.com, LLC as part of an intracompany, operational reorganization that now renders FreedomVoice's Certificate superfluous and unnecessary.

As of September 1, 2019, GoDaddy and FreedomVoice completed the final step in the previously approved transaction by implementing associated accounting and operational changes whereby all revenue previously reported on the books of FreedomVoice are now being reflected in its affiliate GoDaddy's

¹ All three legal entities referenced herein (Media Temple, GoDaddy.com LLC, and FreedomVoice) are subsidiaries of GoDaddy Inc.

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accounting. Likewise, as of September 1, 2019, GoDaddy began reporting all intrastate telecommunications revenue on a consolidated basis under its affiliate GoDaddy.com LLC. GoDaddy will therefore file future regulatory reports and remit associated regulatory fees in association with the Certificate issued by the Commission to GoDaddy.

The continued retention and maintenance of FreedomVoice's Certificate would impose unnecessary and duplicative administrative costs on GoDaddy, which the Company seeks to mitigate through this request to voluntarily surrender the Certificate issued to FreedomVoice.

The operational integration described above and the Company's request to voluntarily surrender FreedomVoice's Certificate (and withdraw any associated tariff) will not impact consumers. All services will continue to be provided in exactly the same manner as they were before September 1, 2019. Services will remain co-branded under the GoDaddy name and service mark. The changes triggering FreedomVoice's request to surrender its Certificate result from the assimilation of FreedomVoice's operations, systems and assets into GoDaddy and are reflective of internal bookkeeping consolidation (changes to accounting and reporting).

The public convenience and necessity will not be adversely affected by FreedomVoice's request to voluntarily surrender its Certificate, as there will be no perceptible change in customer experience from the accounting changes and operational assignments implemented as of September 1, 2019. Customers whose revenue had previously been recorded in FreedomVoice's books are now being recorded in GoDaddy's. And all revenue previously reported to the Commission by FreedomVoice will now be reported by GoDaddy.

To the best of its knowledge, the Company is current on all reporting and fee remittance obligations and, to the extent it is determined reports or fees are due prior to the cancellation of its Certificate, the Company is committed to ensuring prompt resolution.

For all these reasons, FreedomVoice hereby requests the Commission effect the cancellation and withdrawal of its now superfluous, redundant Certificate, and tariffs, if applicable, as soon as the Commission can take appropriate administrative action.

Please acknowledge receipt of this filing by date-stamping the extra copy of this letter and returning it to me in the self-addressed, stamped envelope provided.

Any questions you may have regarding this filing should be directed to my attention at (703) 714-1313 or by email to <u>jsm@commlawgroup.com</u>. Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Respectfully submitted,

Jonathan S. Marashlian Counsel for FreedomVoice and GoDaddy

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Cancellation of Registration

REQUEST FOR CANCELLATION OF REGISTRATION

TO: Washington Utilities & Transportation Commission Attention: Telecommunications Section P.O. Box 47250 Olympia, WA 98504-7250 (Fax) 360-586-1150

> Docket UT-(Commission Use Only)

The undersigned, **Gino Capozzi**, does hereby (Issuing Agent/Officer of Company)

request cancellation of **CallCatchers, Inc., d/b/a FreedomVoice Systems** registration (Registered Company Name)

to operate as a telecommunications company doing business in the state of Washington.

Please include the following information:

Unified Business Identification (UBI) Number: 602 978 293

Company Contact Person: Jonathan Marashlian (attorney for CallCatchers, Inc.)

Contact Telephone Number: (703) 714-1313

The undersigned certify that they have no existing customers and no outstanding prepaid calling services.

I understand that this request is not effective until acknowledged upon by the Commission.

12. Signature: Date: