

**BEFORE THE WASHINGTON  
UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION**

In the Matter of the Petition of  
  
BOOMERANG WIRELESS LLC d/b/a  
ENTOUCH WIRELESS,  
  
Petitioner,  
  
For Partial Relinquishment of Designation  
as an Eligible Telecommunications Carrier  
on a Wireless Basis (Low-Income Only) in  
a Certain Service Area Previously Served  
by Underlying Carrier Verizon Wireless

DOCKET UT-230626  
  
ORDER 01  
  
GRANTING PARTIAL  
RELINQUISHMENT OF LIFELINE-  
ONLY ELIGIBLE  
TELECOMMUNICATIONS CARRIER  
DESIGNATION FOR AREAS  
PREVIOUSLY SERVED BY  
UNDERLYING CARRIER VERIZON  
WIRELESS

**BACKGROUND**

- 1 On July 19, 2023, Boomerang Wireless, LLC d/b/a enTouch Wireless (Boomerang or Company) filed with the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (Commission) its Petition for Partial Relinquishment of Designation as an Eligible Telecommunications Carrier on a Wireless Basis (Low-Income Only) in a certain service area previously served by underlying carrier Verizon Wireless and notification of the removal of Verizon Wireless and AT&T Mobility as underlying carriers (Petition).
- 2 The Commission previously designated Boomerang as a Lifeline-Only (LLO) ETC on December 12, 2013, in Order 01 in Docket UT-121610.
- 3 In its Petition, Boomerang notifies the Commission of the removal of Verizon Wireless and AT&T Mobility as underlying carriers and seeks to relinquish its LLO ETC designation ONLY in areas where Verizon Wireless was previously serving as the sole underlying carrier for the Company. A list of the zip codes for which Boomerang seeks relinquishment is attached as Appendix A.
- 4 In addition, Boomerang submits that it will continue to utilize T-Mobile as an underlying carrier and seeks to maintain their LLO ETC designation as detailed in the initial designation on December 12, 2013, excluding the list of zip codes in Appendix A.

5 Commission staff (Staff) has reviewed Boomerang’s Petition and supporting documents. Staff recommends that the Commission grant the Company’s Petition. Staff submits that the service areas in question are served by other ETCs and that customers will not be materially impacted by granting the Petition.

### DISCUSSION

6 We agree with Staff’s recommendation and grant Boomerang’s Petition. Pursuant to 47 U.S.C. § 214(e)(4), a state commission shall permit an ETC to relinquish its designation as such a carrier in any area served by more than one ETC. The state commission shall require the remaining ETCs to ensure that all customers are served in the service area at issue.

7 Boomerang’s Petition meets the requirements of 47 U.S.C. § 214(e)(4). Because the remaining ETCs in these markets will be able to serve customers without purchasing or constructing additional facilities, it is not necessary for the Commission to require further action from the remaining ETCs.

8 Boomerang requests that the Commission grant its Petition with an effective date of October 8, 2023. Because Boomerang’s Petition satisfies the requirements in 47 U.S.C. § 214(e)(4) by providing the Commission “advance notice” of its intent to relinquish an ETC designation and the requested effective date is subsequent to the date of the Petition, the Commission grants the Company’s requested effective date.

### FINDINGS AND CONCLUSIONS

- 9 (1) The Commission has jurisdiction over eligible telecommunications carriers in Washington and the subject matter of this Order pursuant to 47 U.S.C. § 214(e)(4), 47 C.F.R. § 54.205(a) and WAC 480-07-370(3).
- 10 (2) The Commission has designated Boomerang an ETC pursuant to 47 U.S.C. § 214(e)(1), 47 C.F.R. § 54.201(d), and WAC 480-123-030. Boomerang currently provides service in accordance with Order 1 in Docket UT-121610.
- 11 (3) Pursuant to 47 U.S.C. § 214(e)(4), Boomerang is permitted to relinquish its ETC designation with advance notice to the Commission in any areas served by more than one ETC.

- 12 (4) This matter came before the Commission at its regularly scheduled meeting on September 28, 2023.
- 13 (5) After reviewing Boomerang's Petition and giving due consideration to all relevant matters, the Commission grants Boomerang's Petition and allows the Company to partially relinquish its LLO ETC designation effective October 8, 2023.

**ORDER**

THE COMMISSION ORDERS:

- 14 (1) Boomerang Wireless, LLC d/b/a enTouch Wireless's Petition is granted, and the Company is allowed to relinquish its ETC designations as set forth in paragraph 13, above.
- 15 (2) The Commission retains jurisdiction over the subject matter and Boomerang Wireless, LLC d/b/a enTouch Wireless to effectuate the provisions of this Order.
- 16 (3) The Commissioners, having determined this Order to be consistent with the public interest, directed the Secretary to enter this Order.

DATED at Lacey, Washington, and effective September 28, 2023.

WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

KATHY HUNTER  
Acting Executive Director and Secretary