

**THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION**

**DT 18-175
DIXVILLE TELEPHONE COMPANY
Petition for Approval to Discontinue Operations**

PETITION FOR INTERVENTION OF NEW CINGULAR WIRELESS PCS, LLC

New Cingular Wireless PCS, LLC (“AT&T Mobility”) hereby requests that the Commission allow it to intervene as a party, in the above-captioned matter, pursuant to RSA 541-A:32, and Puc 203.17. The Commission should grant this request because AT&T Mobility’s rights, privileges and other interests may be substantially and directly affected by the Commission’s actions in this proceeding. In support of this petition, AT&T Mobility states as follows:

1. On November 15, 2018, Dixville Telephone Company (“Dixville”) filed a Petition for Approval to Discontinue Operations pursuant to RSA 374:22-p, seeking to discontinue its local telephone operations in New Hampshire.

2. Although the Petition makes no mention of AT&T Mobility, the testimony that accompanied the Petition certainly does. For example, the Prefiled Direct Testimony of Ann Walsh (at page 6, lines 12-13) states that Dixville currently provides AT&T Mobility with 6 DS1 circuits as a special access service pursuant to Dixville’s Tariff NH PUC No. 3. *See also* Prefiled Direct Testimony of Arthur Nicholson, at page 4, line 19. Exhibit AW-2 to Ms. Walsh’s testimony also indicates that AT&T provides Dixville with approximately \$2,963/month in intrastate special access revenue.

3. In addition, the testimony of each Dixville witness suggests that the company expects that AT&T Mobility is likely to play a role in the resolution of Dixville’s request to discontinue operations. *See* Walsh Testimony at page 6, lines 17-19 (Dixville is “exploring the possibility of giving the DS1 circuits to AT&T Mobility as part of the present discontinuance of operations”); Nicholson Testimony at page 5, lines 5-6 (Dixville would “be willing to transfer the DS1 circuits to AT&T Mobility... as part of any regulatory discontinuance”).

4. Given the substantial effect this proceeding would have on AT&T Mobility’s interests and its potential role in the resolution of the matters at issue in the docket, this Petition to Intervene should be granted.

5. As further support for its current intervention request, AT&T Mobility notes that it was allowed to intervene in DT 14-420, Dixville's previous request to discontinue operations. *See Dixville Telephone Co.*, Docket No. DT 14-420, Transcript of Prehearing Conference at 5-6 (N.H. Pub. Utils. Comm'n Oct. 28, 2014).

6. Copies of all pleadings and other materials should be provided to the following:

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WHEREFORE, AT&T Mobility requests that the Commission grant its petition for intervention in this proceeding.

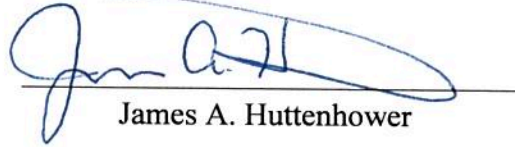
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Respectfully submitted,
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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on December 6, 2018, a copy of the foregoing Petition for Intervention of New Cingular Wireless PCS, LLC was sent by electronic mail to persons named on the Service List of this docket.


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