

STATE OF IOWA
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
UTILITIES BOARD

IN RE: SHELL ROCK COMMUNICATIONS, INC.	DOCKET NOS. SPU-07-21 TF-07-212 (TCU-07-8)
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**ORDER APPROVING TARIFF, ISSUING CERTIFICATE,
APPROVING DISCONTINUANCE OF SERVICE,
CANCELING CERTIFICATE, AND WITHDRAWING TARIFF**

(Issued January 4, 2008)

On September 29, 1992, the Utilities Board (Board) issued a certificate of public convenience and necessity, identified as Certificate No. 0118, to Shell Rock Telephone Company (Shell Rock Telephone), authorizing Shell Rock Telephone to provide local telecommunications service in Iowa.

On November 19, 2007, Shell Rock Telephone filed a request to cancel its existing certificate. Shell Rock Telephone indicated that it intended to transfer its customers and assets to a newly-formed company, Shell Rock Communications, Inc. (Shell Rock Communications). Shell Rock Telephone stated that it would no longer be providing local exchange service once the transfer took place.

On December 4, 2007, Butler-Bremer Communications (Butler-Bremer), the parent company of Shell Rock Communications, filed a letter with the Board to comply with the requirements of 199 IAC 22.23(2)"e" regarding the procedures in the event of a sale or transfer of a telecommunications carrier's customer base. Butler-Bremer confirms that there will be a transfer of all assets and customers from Shell

Rock Telephone to Shell Rock Communications and that the transfer will result in the discontinuance of service by Shell Rock Telephone and the assumption or continuance of service by Shell Rock Communications. Therefore, Butler-Bremer requests the cancellation of Shell Rock Telephone's certificate, identified as Certificate No. 0118, and its local exchange tariff on file with the Board.

On December 11, 2007, Shell Rock Communications filed a proposed local exchange tariff with the Board providing the terms, conditions, and rates for local exchange service in listed exchanges as described in the local exchange maps of Shell Rock Telephone, the incumbent carrier in the Shell Rock, Iowa, exchange. Revisions to the proposed tariff were filed on December 28, 2007. The proposed tariff and revisions have been identified as TF-07-212.

On December 13, 2007, the Board issued an order in Docket No. TCU-07-8, approving Shell Rock Communications' application for a certificate of public convenience and necessity and approving concurrence in the exchange maps of the incumbent local exchange carrier for the Shell Rock, Iowa, exchange. The December 13 order stated that a certificate would be issued when Shell Rock Communications has on file with the Board an approved tariff setting forth the terms and conditions of local exchange service in Iowa. Shell Rock Communications now requests the Board approve the proposed tariff filed December 11, 2007, as modified December 28, 2007, and grant it a certificate to provide service in the listed exchange.

The Board has reviewed the proposed tariff, as revised, and finds it substantially complies with Board rules for the filing and processing of tariff pages. The tariff contains rates for both business and residential customers. Notice was provided to affected carriers. The Board will approve the tariff, effective the date of this order, and issue Shell Rock Communications a certificate of public convenience and necessity concurrent with this order.

Because Shell Rock Communications is now certified to provide local exchange service in the Shell Rock, Iowa, exchange, and is ready, willing, and able to provide comparable service in the Shell Rock exchange, the Board will approve the requests of Shell Rock Telephone and Butler-Bremer to cancel Shell Rock Telephone's certificate and Shell Rock Telephone's tariff. Butler-Bremer states that proper notice has been served on Shell Rock Telephone's customers pursuant to 199 IAC 22.23(2)"e" and that the customers have been informed that there will not be a change in the rates, terms, and conditions of service provided to Shell Rock Telephone's customers. Therefore, an order canceling Shell Rock Telephone's certificate (Certificate No. 0118) is being issued concurrently with this order.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

1. The proposed tariff filed by Shell Rock Communications, Inc., on December 11, 2007, as revised on December 28, 2007, is approved effective the date of this order.

2. A certificate, identified as Certificate No. 0322, is being issued to Shell Rock Communications, Inc., concurrently with this order.

3. The requests filed by Shell Rock Telephone Company on November 19, 2007, and Butler-Bremer Communications on December 4, 2007, to cancel Shell Rock Telephone Company's certificate of public convenience and necessity, identified as Certificate No. 0118, and discontinue the provision of local exchange service, are granted.

4. An order canceling Certificate No. 0118, issued to Shell Rock Telephone Company on September 29, 1992, is being issued concurrently with this order.

5. The request to withdraw the local exchange tariff on file with the Board for Shell Rock Telephone Company is granted.

UTILITIES BOARD

/s/ John R. Norris

/s/ Krista K. Tanner

ATTEST:

/s/ Judi K. Cooper

Executive Secretary

/s/ Darrell Hanson

Dated at Des Moines, Iowa, this 4th day of January, 2008.