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July 20, 2020

## VIA IBFS

Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary Federal Communications Commission Office of the Secretary 445 12th Street, S.W. Washington, DC 20554 **Attn: International Bureau** 

Re: Mpower Communications Corp. d/b/a TPx Communications (ITC-214-19970731-00440) Notification of Discontinuance of International Telecommunications Services

Dear Secretary Dortch:

Mpower Communications Corp. d/b/a TPx Communications (the "Company"), pursuant to Section 214(a) of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, and 47 C.F.R. Section 63.19, notifies the Commission that it plans to discontinue the provision of all international telecommunications services to grandfathered residential customers in the State of Nevada on September 1, 2020, or as soon thereafter as Commission approval can be obtained.<sup>1</sup> The Company provides the following information:

1. Name and Address of Carrier:

Mpower Communications Corp. d/b/a TPx Communications 515 S. Flower Street, 45th Floor Los Angeles, CA 90071-2201

Morgan, Lewis & Bockius LLP

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The Company is separately filing an Application with the FCC regarding its planned discontinuance of domestic interstate telecommunications services.

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Correspondence concerning this filing should be sent to:

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2. Date of Planned Service Discontinuance, Reduction or Impairment:

September 1, 2020, or as soon thereafter as Commission approval can be obtained.

3. Points of Geographic Areas of Service Affected:

The Company plans to discontinue international telecommunications services to residential customers in the State of Nevada.

4. Brief Description of Types of Service Affected:

The Company plans to discontinue international services to residential customers. The affected customers have been receiving residential telephone service from the Company subject to "grandfathered" status because the Company ceased offering residential telephone service to new customers in 2006.

### 5. <u>Brief Description of Dates and Methods of Notice to All Affected Customers</u>:

The Company provided written customer notice of the planned discontinuance in accordance with the requirements of Section 63.71(a) of the Commission's Rules. The notice was sent to all affected customers via U.S. mail on July 20, 2020. A copy of the notice is appended hereto as Exhibit A.

6. <u>Non-Dominance of the Carrier With Respect to the Service to be Discontinued</u>:

The Company is non-dominant with respect to the services to be discontinued.

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The public convenience and necessity will not be adversely affected by the proposed discontinuance of services described herein. The Company has provided the requisite notice to all of its affected residential customers, which have access to several other substitute services.

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Please acknowledge receipt and acceptance of this Notification. Please feel free to contact us if you have any questions regarding this filing.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/

Tamar Finn Danielle Burt

## <u>Exhibit A</u>

Sample Customer Notice



## Sent via U.S. Postal Mail

July 20, 2020

Account Number:

Dear Valued Customer,

In 2006, Mpower Communications Corp. d/b/a TPx Communications<sup>1</sup> ceased offering residential telephone service. Your account was "grandfathered" and TPx continued to offer that service to you.

As a result of the evolution of the communications marketplace, TPx has made the difficult decision to stop offering local and long distance service, including interstate and international services, to grandfathered residential customers in the State of Nevada. Your service will end on September 1, 2020, or as soon thereafter as the necessary regulatory approvals can be obtained.

The FCC will normally authorize this proposed discontinuance of service 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 15 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 Mpower Communications Corp. d/b/a TPx Communications. Comments should include specific information about the impact of this proposed discontinuance upon you or your company, including any inability to acquire reasonable substitute service.

Please contact us directly at 877-487-8722 prior to August 14, 2020 to discuss the options available to you.

Should you elect to transfer your telephone number to another telecommunications provider, you must contact your selected provider to request the transfer of your telephone number. TPx will not apply any penalties or fees for transferring your service to another provider.

TPx appreciates the opportunity to have served your residential telecom needs.

Best Regards,

David Zahn Senior Vice President, Marketing Mpower Communications Corp. d/b/a TPx Communications 515 S. Flower Street, 45th Floor Los Angeles, CA 90071-2201

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Formerly known as TelePacific Communications

### VERIFICATION

I, <u>Jennifer Rohrbach</u>, state that I am a <u>Compliance Director</u> of Mpower Communications Corp. d/b/a TPx Communications; that I am authorized to make this Verification on its behalf; that I have read the foregoing filing and know the contents thereof; and that the same are true and correct to the best of my knowledge, information and belief and are made in good faith.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct. Executed this 20 day of July, 2020.

Mpower Communications Corp. d/b/a TPx Communications

Jennifer Robebach By:

By: Title: