GOVERNMENT OF THE VIRGIN ISLANDS OF THE UNITED STATES

Public Services Commission

IN RE:)
GLOBAL CONNECTION INC. OF AMERICA D/B/A) Docket No. 704
STANDUP WIRELESS LIFELINE-ONLY ELIGIBLE) Order No. <u>10</u> /2025
TELECOMMUNICATIONS CARRIER IN THE USVI)

ORDER

WHEREAS, on July 1, 2024, the Virgin Islands Public Services Commission (hereinafter "Commission" or "PSC") received an Application from Global Connection Inc. of America d/b/a STANDUP WIRELESS (hereinafter "Standup Wireless") requesting designation as a Lifeline-only Eligible Telecommunications Carrier (hereinafter "ETC") in the United States Virgin Islands (hereinafter "USVI"); and

WHEREAS, the Commission engaged Vantage Point Solutions, Inc. (hereinafter "VPS or Vantage") as its new technical consultants to handle certain telecommunication matters for the Commission; and

WHEREAS, the Commission received the Report and Recommendations from its technical consultant, Vantage; and

WHEREAS, on November 7, 2024, the Commission met in regular session at its office located at the St. Thomas office Conference Room located at No. 1003 Estate Ross, Suite 4 on St. Thomas, United States Virgin Islands; and

WHEREAS, after review and deliberation, the Commission voted to GRANT Standup Wireless ETC designation subject to the recommendations included in the consultant's report;

NOW THEREFORE, the Commission finds and **ORDERS** that, Standup Wireless' Application for Designation as an Eligible Telecommunications Carrier in the United States Virgin Islands is **GRANTED** on the following findings, terms, and conditions:

- 1. Standup Wireless must comply with any Federal Communications Commission or PSC requirements concerning E911 service when implemented in the USVI.
- 2. Standup Wireless must file a copy of any updates to its federal compliance plan as may be required by the Federal Communications Commission.

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- 3. Standup Wireless must provide to the PSC a report of the total number of Lifeline subscribers served as of December 31 of each year starting December 31, 2024.
- 4. Standup Wireless must report to the PSC any significant changes to Lifeline terms and conditions as they occur.
- 5. Standup Wireless must promptly submit to the PSC any additional information or reports that PSC may reasonably request from time to time.
- 6. Standup Wireless must comply with the record retention requirements contained in Title 30 § 45a(d).

So Ordered.

For the Commission,

Date: January 10, 2025

Pedro K. Williams, Chair