

**Before the
Navajo Nation Telecommunications Regulatory Commission**

In the Matter of)	
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Application for Certificate of Convenience and Necessity (CCN))	No. NNTRC-11-001
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PROTECTIVE ORDER

1. The Navajo Nation Telecommunications Regulatory Commission (“NNTRC”) is authorized to promulgate such rules and regulations as appropriate for the accomplishment of its purpose, authority, duties and responsibilities pursuant to the Navajo Nation Telecommunications Regulatory Act (“Act”), 21 N.N.C. §§ 501 *et seq.*, and to enforce such rules and regulations in order to provide telecommunications services on the Navajo Nation pursuant to the Act.

2. In this Protective Order, we grant the motion of Navajo Pillars Telecommunications. Inc. ("Pillars") to limit access to proprietary or confidential information that Pillars has filed in its application for a certificate of convenience and necessity. We anticipate that such materials will be necessary to develop a more complete record on which to base our decision as to the financial and technical qualifications of Pillars to serve the Navajo Nation. We conclude that the action we take in this Protective Order protects proprietary and confidential information from improper disclosure, and that the action thereby serves the public interest.

3. *Submission of Stamped Confidential Documents.* Pillars has submitted to the Commission Office a copy of the documents for which protected treatment is sought, marked such documents "Confidential Information - Not For Public Disclosure," and placed such documents in a separate envelope marked "confidential."

4. *Effect of Designation of Information as Confidential.* The documents marked as "Confidential Information - Not For Public Disclosure" by Pillars contain information that, Pillars believes, in good faith, is not otherwise available from publicly available sources. Consequently, documents bearing such marking shall not be made publicly available by the Commission.

5. *Non-Disclosure of Stamped Confidential Documents.* Except with the prior written consent of Pillars, documents marked as "Confidential Information - Not For Public Disclosure" may not be publicly disclosed.

6. *No Waiver of Confidentiality.* Disclosure of documents marked as "Confidential Information - Not For Public Disclosure" by Pillars or any other person shall not be deemed a waiver by Pillars of any privilege or entitlement to confidential treatment of such documents.

7. *Termination of Proceeding.* The Provisions of this Protective Order shall not terminate at the conclusion of proceeding. The Provisions of this Protective Order shall remain in force until such time as this Proceeding is terminated and NNTRC issues an order indicating that it has returned and/or destroyed all Confidential Information provided by Pillars.

8. *Protective Order Subject to the Navajo Privacy Act.* This Protective Order is subject to the disclosure requirements of the Navajo Privacy Act (2 N.N.C. §§ 81, *et seq.*).

NAVAJO NATION TELECOMMUNICATIONS REGULATORY AUTHORITY

Adopted: July 11, 2013

/s/

Bobby Begaye
Chairman
Telecommunications Regulatory Commission
The Navajo Nation