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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA PM A2505016

In the Matter of the Joint Application of Platinum Equity Capital Partners IV, L.P. and SCRS Intermediate Holding Corporation, Requesting Expedited Approval of Indirect Transfer of Control of Securus Technologies, LLC (U-6888-C) Pursuant to California Public Utilities Code Section 854(a).

Application 25-05-016

ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE'S RULING GRANTING MOTION FOR EVIDENTIARY HEARING, SETTING EVIDENTIARY HEARING AND PROVIDING EVIDENTIARY HEARING INSTRUCTIONS

This ruling grants Intervenors' motion for evidentiary hearing and provides instructions on the evidentiary hearing.

1. Motions for Evidentiary Hearing

On November 12, 2025 Intervenors The Utility Reform Network (TURN or Intervenors) timely filed a motion requesting evidentiary hearings. On November 19, 2025, Applicants Platinum Equity Capital Partners IV, L.P. and SCRS Intermediate Holding Corporation (collectively, Joint Applicants) filed a timely response to the Intervenor's motion, arguing that TURN failed to identify disputed issues of material fact to justify evidentiary hearings.

After reviewing the filings of the parties, I find that TURN's motion provides sufficient justification for one day of evidentiary hearings. Both Joint Applicants and TURN will be allotted 1.5 hours each of cross examination time, and .5 hours each for redirect.

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2. Hearing Information

Remote Webex hearings will be held on December 16, 2025, from 9:30 AM to 4:30 PM. Non-speaking party representatives and any interested persons may appear virtually via Webex using the following information:

- Join link: https://cpuc.webex.com/cpuc/j.php?MTID=m86de2ff 42739ac4ed64f02003557f41d
- **Webinar password**: 2025 (when dialing from a phone or video system)
- Webinar number: 2485 669 8986
- **Join by phone**: 1-855-282-6330 United States Toll Free; 1-415-655-0002 United States Toll
- Access code: 248 566 98986

The proceeding analysts assigned to this proceeding are:

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Please contact the proceeding analysts with any technical questions regarding complying with this ruling. Parties should include both analysts in any communications.

All parties shall closely monitor emails and other communications related to the scheduled hearings to ensure awareness of schedule changes, additional instructions, and other issues that may arise.

3. Schedule of the Evidentiary Hearing

The remote evidentiary hearing for this proceeding will be held for one day on Tuesday, December 16, 2025, from 9:30 AM to 4:30 PM. All participants should be logged by 9:00 AM to test their audio and visual connections and address any other technical issues.

At the beginning of the hearing day, I will address housekeeping issues (e.g., witness order, exhibits, and other similar issues to move the proceeding efficiently). Joint Applicants will conduct their cross-examination first. I will plan to take a one hour break around 12:30 PM at a natural break, and short breaks during the day as appropriate. I will address remaining procedural issues at the end of the day. The hearing day will end at approximately 4:30 PM.

4. Speakers/Witnesses/Participants

Parties are directed to provide the following information to the proceeding analysts no later than Thursday, December 11, 2025.

- 1. Name of the Party
- 2. Lead representative/primary speaker: Name, position/title, email address and telephone number
- 3. Additional individuals expected to speak at the hearing: Name, position/title, role (witness/counsel/other (specify), email address, and telephone number.

Participants will be emailed a Webex panelist link prior to the hearing. Parties are advised that participants who have been emailed a panelist link may not be able to join using the public Webex link above. All participants are advised to monitor their email prior to the hearing to make sure that they receive the panelist link to log onto the hearing.

Non-speaking attendees using the public Webex link provided above will not appear on the screen and will not be audible during the hearing.

5. Advanced Distribution of Exhibits and Additional Exhibit Instructions

Prior to the hearings, the parties should work together to prepare a final list of exhibits that includes a proposed exhibit number, sponsoring witness, brief description of each exhibit, indication whether parties stipulate to the admission of the exhibit, and link to the uploaded exhibit (for non-confidential exhibits

only) on the Commission's Supporting Documents Platform.¹ The exhibit list attached as Attachment A to this ruling can be used for this purpose (parties need only fill out columns A-B and E-I). TURN should coordinate and assemble the exhibit list. TURN shall email the exhibit list to the assigned ALJ no later than 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday, December 10, 2025. TURN shall also transmit a PDF, an editable MS Word, and an Excel version of the final exhibit list to the proceeding analysts.

Cross-examination exhibits shall be served on the service list and uploaded to the Supporting Documents Platform not later than 1:00 PM on the day before the hearing. If this deadline is missed and a party still seeks to use the exhibit, the party will be required to show good cause as to why the deadline was not met. Such requests may be denied at the Judge's discretion if the delay is deemed prejudicial.

Cross-examination exhibits intended for use as impeachment exhibits must be sent no later than 8:00 am on the day of the hearing. If this deadline is missed and a party still wants to use the impeachment exhibit, the party will be required to show good cause why they could not have me the 8:00 am deadline. Such requests may be denied at the Judge's discretion if the delay is deemed prejudicial.

Generally, corrections to an exhibit should be made in advance and not orally from the witness stand. Corrections should be made immediately following identification of the need for correction. The corrected exhibit and a redlined version should be served on the service list and uploaded to Supporting Documents. In the redlined copy, the original text to be deleted should be lined

¹ See Rule 13.7 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure.

out and substitute or added text should be underlined. Each correction page should be marked with the word "revised" and the revision date. The Exhibit List should link to the final version of the exhibit and the redlined version.

Partial documents or excerpts from documents must include a title page or first page from the source document; excerpts from lengthy documents should include a table of contents page covering the excerpted material. It may be helpful to include language before and after the excerpt to provide clarity or context.

6. Exhibit Numbering and Format

Parties shall following the following format when numbering and marking their exhibits:

- 1. Exhibits shall be marked with a three-letter acronym for the sponsoring party followed by sequential numbering. Confidential exhibits will be labeled with the same number as the public version of the exhibit followed by the capital letter "C" (e.g., XYZ-01 would be labeled XYZ-01C).
- 2. Parties shall pre-mark their exhibits so that each piece of testimony includes the proposed exhibit number following the convention described above, proceeding number, name of sponsor/witness, and date(s) served (including revision dates).
- 3. The upper right-hand corner of the first page or cover sheet of each exhibit shall be left blank for the judge's exhibit stamp (approximately 2 inches high x 3.5 inches wide).

7. Confidential Materials

If any party anticipates referring to confidential materials during the hearing, the party shall e-mail a notice to the ALJ and the service list no later than 5:00 PM on Thursday, December 11, 2025, to ensure the necessary arrangements can be made for a confidential session. The requesting party shall consult with other parties to compile a list of the names and e-mail addresses of

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persons who wish to participate in the confidential session and are authorized

access to the confidential materials to be referenced and shall include the list in

its notice to the ALJ and the service list. The requesting party shall also email the

list to the proceeding analysts.

8. Prehearing Motions

Any remaining prehearing motions shall be filed by December 5, 2025.

Any response to a prehearing motion filed after the date of this ruling shall be

filed no later than December 10, 2025. Any motions not filed by this date must be

raised orally at the hearing.

9. Other Matters

If necessary, I may modify these instructions during the hearing as needed

to facilitate an efficient and effective hearing.

IT IS RULED that:

1. Intervenor's motion for evidentiary hearings is granted.

2. An evidentiary hearing for Application 25-05-016 is set for December 16,

2025, from 9:30 A.M to 4:30 P.M.

3. The parties shall comply with the procedural instructions for the

evidentiary hearings set forth in this ruling.

Dated November 21, 2025, at San Francisco, California.

/s/ SHANNON CLARK

Shannon Clark

Administrative Law Judge