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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Application of Fireline Communications LLC for Registration as a Telephone Corporation Pursuant to Public Utilities Code Section 1013.	Application 26-02-002

ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE'S RULING DIRECTING FILING OF ADDITIONAL INFORMATION AND NOTICE OF SECOND PREHEARING CONFERENCE

This ruling directs Fireline Communications LLC (Applicant) to file and serve a response by Wednesday, November 18, 2026. This ruling also sets November 30, 2026, at 1:00 p.m. as the date and time for the second Prehearing Conference (PHC).

1. Background

The service list identifies Mark Lammert as Applicant's representative. No other person associated with Applicant appears on the service list. Mr. Lammert failed to appear at the October 29, 2026, PHC. Instead, Jodie Grimshaw appeared and stated she was Mr. Lammert's employee. However, Ms. Grimshaw is not identified in Applicant's February 3, 2026, application or Applicant's October 21, 2026, response to the ALJ ruling for additional information.[1] Without

[1] A review of the website "Compliance Solutions," for which Mr. Lammert serves as Founder and President, also does not list Ms. Grimshaw as a member of the team. (*See* Our Team, Compliance Solutions, *available at* csilongwood.com/team.)

documentation that Ms. Grimshaw is authorized to represent Applicant, the PHC could not proceed.

2. Additional Information Required

In advance of the second PHC, Applicant shall file and serve a response to the questions below by November 18, 2026.

1. In Appendix F of the application, Applicant only provided the identify of one officer: Dave Hendrie, President. Appendix G of the application includes a narrative bio of Dave Hendrie, without the dates of study at University of California Los Angeles, degree or graduation date. Applicant is directed to provide a resume that lists the work experiences of Dave Hendrie, with duties descriptions. This list shall be sequential, starting with the most recent employment. The resume must also include a description of education listed sequentially, starting with the most recent.
2. Applicant is directed to amend Appendix F to include the identity of all officers, including management such as vice president, head of accounting, chief operating officer, chief technology officer, and chief financial officer. The resumes of all officers/management must be provided as part of Appendix G. If there are no additional management team members, other than Dave Hendrie, Applicant state so explicitly in its response.
3. Applicant confirmed that Dave Hendrie also owns Fireline Network, an affiliate of Applicant. Fireline Network has been fined for failure to file required annual reports. Applicant states that it has retained an outside regulatory compliance firm to assist with identifying, tracking, and meeting compliance requirements. However, Applicant was only able to identify two out of the three citations of Fireline Network. How will Applicant ensure regulatory compliance if Applicant is granted a certificate to operate in California?

4. Applicant states Dave Hendrie is currently in the process of relinquishing his ownership interest in the relevant entities and anticipates the ownership changes will be completed by the end of 2026, at which time Fireline Network will no longer be an affiliate. Please specify whether a new entity will acquire Fireline Network and identify Applicant's management team after ownership changes, including the information directed by Questions 1 and 2 above.

If there are clarifications needed regarding the required information, Applicant may contact the assigned proceeding analyst Thomas Gutierrez at thomas.gutierrez@cpuc.ca.gov with a copy to the service list.

Failure to provide the additional information may result in dismissal of the Application. Applicant's filing must be titled "Response to Administrative Law Judge Inquiry," otherwise a new protest period will be triggered.

3. Prehearing Conference Requirements and Remote Attendance Information

The second PHC is set for November 30, 2026, at 1:00 p.m., to determine the parties, positions of the parties, scope, schedule, and other procedural matters. Parties are directed to appear 15 minutes in advance for audio and video checks.

Parties and any interested persons shall appear virtually and connect to the PHC via Webex:

Webex Link:
https://cpuc.webex.com/cpuc/j.php?MTID=mf8ce2553d8f178271e04bd8c4e8a405c

Meeting Number (access code): 2493 263 2346

Access Webex by Telephone: 2026

Toll Free Number: 1-855-282-6330

Access Code: 2493 263 2346

Parties should be prepared to discuss the following topics:

1. The nexus of the application and the nine goals of the California Public Utilities Commission's Environmental and Social Justice Action Plan.
2. Safety issues implicated by the application.

Parties are directed to adhere to the following ground rules during the PHC:

- Mute your WebEx or phone when not speaking;
- Speak only when addressed by the ALJ;
- State your name every time before you speak;
- Speak slowly and clearly;
- Do not use a speaker phone when speaking; and
- Do not interrupt or speak over one another.

Parties who wish to make changes or additions to the Service List should complete the "Addition/Change of Official Service List" form (found on the CPUC website) and send the form to both process_office@cpuc.ca.gov and reporting@cpuc.ca.gov prior to the PHC.

Parties desiring expedited or daily transcripts should advise the Chief Hearing Reporter via e-mail at reporting@cpuc.ca.gov; no later than three days prior to the hearing.

IT IS SO RULED that:

1. By November 18, 2026, Applicant shall respond to the required information discussed in this Ruling.
2. The second PHC is set for November 30, 2026, at 1:00 p.m., according to the information provided in this ruling.
3. At the second PHC, Parties must be prepared to discuss the topics listed in this ruling.

Dated November 10, 2026, at San Francisco, California.

/s/ ZHEN ZHANG
Zhen Zhang
Administrative Law Judge