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1	ALABAMA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
2	MONTGOMERY, ALABAMA
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4	IN RE:
5	A2D, INCORPORATED, d/b/a ECOMMUNITY BROADBAND INFRASTRUCTURE (ALABAMA), LLC.
6	DOCKET NO. 32291
7 8	APPLICATION FOR CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY
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12	TESTIMONY AND PROCEEDINGS before the
13	Honorable Scott Morris, Administrative Law
14	Judge, at the Carl L. Evans Chief
15	Administrative Law Judge Hearing Complex,
16	RSA Union Building, 100 North Union Street,
17	Montgomery, Alabama, on Wednesday, January
18	14, 2015, commencing at approximately
19	10:05 a.m.; and reported by Gwendolyn P.
20	Timbie, Certified Court Reporter and
21	Commissioner for the State of Alabama at
22	Large.
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1	APPEARANCES
2	FOR THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION:
3	Ms. Janet Conway Telecommunications Division
4	ALABAMA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION 100 North Union Street
5	RSA Union Building Montgomery, Alabama 36104
6	ALSO PRESENT:
7	Mr. Keith Daryl Quarels, Jr.
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10	ALJ MORRIS: Today's date is
11	January 14, 2015. We are here for
12	Docket 32291. The applicant is
13	A2D, Incorporated, doing business
14	as Ecommunity Broadband
15	Infrastructure (Alabama), LLC.
16	They are seeking approval of an
17	application for certificate of
18	public convenience and necessity
19	by telecommunication services in
20	the state of Alabama.
21	And this application was
22	filed on or about December the
23	5th, 2014, and notice of today's

1	hearing was published on December
2	the 15th, 2014. And there's not
3	been any intervention in this
4	matter.
5	With that, let's begin by
6	taking appearances, first starting
7	with the with the applicant.
8	If you would, state your name and
9	your business address and your
10	relationship to the company.
11	MR. QUARELS: Name is Keith
12	Daryl Quarels, Jr. I am the chief
13	financial officer with A2D,
14	Incorporated. And address
15	local address or our home
16	address is in Atlanta, 55 Marietta
17	Street, Suite 900, Atlanta,
18	Georgia, 30303.
19	ALJ MORRIS: Thank you,
20	Mr. Quarels.
21	And for the staff?
22	MS. CONWAY: Janet Conway.
23	ALJ MORRIS: Thank you,

1	Ms. Conway.
2	Is there anyone else that
3	needs to enter an appearance?
4	(No response)
5	ALJ MORRIS: Let the record
6	reflect that no one else has come
7	forward.
8	Do we have any
9	preliminary things that we need to
10	take care of, or are we ready to
11	ao;
12	MS. CONWAY: We're ready to
13	go.
14	ALJ MORRIS: All right,
15	Mr. Quarels. We're going to give
16	you an opportunity to make a brief
17	presentation about your
18	application. A lot of what we're
19	looking for is your experience
20	your experience of the officers in
21	the company, what experience the
22	company has in the
23	telecommunications industry, what

services -- particularly what 1 2 services you're seeking to 3 provide. And then Ms. Conway is 4 going to have a list of questions 5 for you, and that should -- that 6 should wrap it up for us after 7 that. 8 But, first, I need to 9 swear you in. 10 KEITH DARYL QUARELS, JR. 11 The witness, having first been duly 12 sworn to speak the truth, the whole truth 13 and nothing but the truth, testified as 14 follows: 15 Thank you. Okay. ALJ MORRIS: 16 You may begin. 17 MR. QUARELS: Sure. So as a 18 background, the company has been 19 around since 2005. From 2005 to 20 approximately 2008, A2D served as 21 a construction manager, design 22 consultant or contractor, if you 23 will, for fiber networks -- both

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1	fiber and sewer utility networks.
2	The corporate background
3	of the or the background of the
4	executives, starting at the top,
5	Mr. Antwon Alsobrook, he's all
6	of us are college educated. He
7	his history is with CH2M Hill, a
8	nationally-known utility design
9	firm. His specialty was in
10	design, sewer, water systems, so
11	on and so forth. And of course,
12	he decided to transition over to
13	telecommunications in 2005 and
14	start the company, A2D.
15	In two thousand in
16	2008, the company decided to start
17	building fiber networks and owning
18	them themselves versus for
19	client on a client basis. So
20	that was a major transition point
21	for the company.
22	At that particular time,
23	it was a matter of financing, how

1	do we finance the model that
2	which we have. And, again, this
3	this model was built around
4	being a carrier's carrier or
5	otherwise termed open access.
6	We've had there's various
7	different terms of it in the
8	industry. But it all related
9	around building the asset
10	designing, building the asset, and
11	then charging the carrier's access
12	fee to the actual customers or
13	premise so that we're not an
14	interactive we're not
15	interacting directly with the
16	customer. It's still the
17	carrier's customer and we're in
18	between.
19	And that from 2008 to
20	2010 or '11 worked out very well.
21	We did several deployments on a
22	private campus basis, meaning
23	large developments. So going down

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1	streets and roads was relative to
2	just a large subdivision, if you
3	will, or a large project.
4	With the crash of the
5	financial crash of 2009, several
6	of those developments didn't get
7	fully built out. So we were
8	running networks that were, quite
9	frankly, not very sustainable. We
10	ultimately sold those networks
11	off.
12	And kind of
13	fast-forwarding where we sit today
14	is we've identified certain areas
15	in Alabama that we feel is worth
16	investing our money in and
17	building out all underground fiber
18	networks as a carrier's carrier.
19	So, again, to today's
20	discussion is we sit with both
21	contracts from large end users who
22	want to transport their data to a
23	carrier at a different location
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1	and also contracts with carriers
2	in the form of master service
3	agreements. And this is the likes
4	of level three communications,
5	CenturyLink and Windstream, where
б	they would like to use our network
7	as it's built to deliver services
8	to an area that they don't have
9	infrastructure or want to even
10	upgrade their own infrastructure.
11	So I think that's a
12	pretty you know, I guess the
13	one thing I did miss a little bit
14	on just to cover the
15	experience I mentioned our CEO.
16	Myself, Keith Quarels, my
17	background is civil engineering
18	but also real estate development
19	and construction management. So
20	from so as a carrier's carrier,
21	you're actually more concerned
22	about the asset and it being
23	income producing.

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1	So this is a little bit
2	different. I'm less concerned
3	with how many customers I go out
4	and get. I'm more concerned with
5	if I spend money on this asset, is
6	it going to be income producing,
7	how does my financing work with
8	that. That's where I come in.
9	The other two members are
10	Jerrald Rector. Jerrald is a
11	I'd say about 15-year veteran in
12	the telecom industry. He's
13	worked for many different telecom
14	companies and has left you
15	know, taken that experience and
16	brought it into A2D.
17	And the fourth gentleman
18	is by the name of Rodney Gray.
19	He's our chief technology officer,
20	and he's ex-military. And he's
21	more what we consider inside
22	plant. So all your networking,
23	all your provisioning of circuits,

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1	the network monitoring, he's more
2	in that side. Jerrald is more
3	outside plant. He's got a lot of
4	experience as far as how it's
5	physically built, deployed, and
6	scheduled and so forth.
7	So I think that covers
8	our experience. I guess I touched
9	a little bit on services as well.
10	But I would say fundamentally
11	we're all IP, we're all fiber, and
12	we're we as much underground
13	as possible is what we go for. We
14	veer away from aerial.
15	So our business plan is
16	written around looking at certain
17	areas, seeing what existing
18	infrastructure is there. And if
19	we see that it's more viable to
20	have a more secure network, all
21	fiber, all IP, which we believe
22	the world and the state the
23	U.S. and the world is going

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1		towards, we'll invest our money
2		there and hope that we can bring
3		the customer to the carrier or the
4		carrier to the customer.
5		ALJ MORRIS: Ms. Conway, I'll
6		let you get started.
7		EXAMINATION
8	BY	MS. CONWAY:
9	Q.	Mr. Quarels
10	Α.	Yes.
11	Q.	in the application, you listed
12		Jerrald Rector as the primary contact.
13	Α.	Yes.
14	Q.	Will he I mean, will he be the person
15		that we call if there's a problem with a
16		complaint or regulation issues or
17		reports that are you know, haven't
18		been filed?
19	Α.	Let me change that to myself for that at
20		this yeah.
21	Q.	I was thinking it would probably be
22	Α.	Yeah.
23	Q.	be you.

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1	A.	Sorry.
2	Q.	That won't be a problem.
3	Α.	Okay.
4	Q.	And is your company currently providing
5		any type of telecommunication services
6		in Alabama?
7	Α.	No. Not anymore.
8	Q.	And where are the company books and
9		records maintained?
10	Α.	They're maintained at 55 Marietta
11		Street, Suite 900.
12	Q.	And approximately how many employees are
13		employed by the company at this point in
14		time? Is it just the four of you? Are
15		there additional employees?
16	Α.	Currently it's five.
17	Q.	Five.
18	Α.	We have a secretary administrative
19		assistant. Excuse me.
20	Q.	And in what states are you currently
21		authorized to provide telecommunication
22		services?
23	Α.	Just Georgia currently.

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1	Q.	And how long have you been certificated
2		in Georgia?
3	Α.	Well, as a Georgia doesn't require
4		the a CLEC license to do what we do.
5		So I would not say that we have a
6		certificate. But we've been operating
7		in Georgia, providing fiber the
8		services that we provide since 2008.
9	Q.	Have you entered into any type of
10		interconnection agreement or resell with
11		any other companies like the level
12		three's or the Windstreams that you
13		mentioned earlier?
14	Α.	Yes. So what we have entered into is
15		master service agreements which
16		establish us as a viable carrier for
17		them to utilize for specific circuits.
18		We've established ourselves at Colo
19		Atlanta, which is at 55 Marietta, which
20		is an interconnect hub. So we've
21		interconnected with CenturyLink and
22		Windstream, but they're they're not
23		lift circuits yet until we down in

1		the state.
2	Q.	So out of the companies you've
3		mentioned, which ones are you already,
4		you know or which ones are already
5		utilizing your services?
6	Α.	Oh. CenturyLink would be.
7	Q.	And do you plan to do you plan to
8		actually put in fiber actually run
9		fiber here in the state of Alabama?
10	Α.	That is correct.
11	Q.	Will there be any other facilities or
12		equipment in place in Alabama?
13	Α.	The along those routes, we will
14		have I guess Jerrald will probably be
15		the better better one to answer this.
16		There will be nodes, if you will. So
17		we're talking about a 10-by-10
18		interconnect node that would sit next to
19		the hut of a Windstream inter
20		existing interconnect point.
21	Q.	Okay.
22	Α.	So that would be the only outside of
23		that, the only facilities are the

1		physical handholds that sit you know,
2		the interconnect handholds
3	Q.	Yeah.
4	Α.	and the conduit and fiber that go
5		down to the premise. So most of the
6		equipment will be on some type of
7		private property outside of the conduit
8		fiber and handholds.
9	Q.	And can you give us specific details
10		about locations you plan to serve in
11		Alabama?
12	Α.	Sure. Currently Macon County is where
13		we would like to start immediately.
14		We've permitted a well, we've
15		submitted for permit a 20-mile route
16		with ALDOT, which as of last week was
17		drawing approved pending the outcome of
18		this.
19		So Macon Macon County is
20		strategic for us; one, from Tuskegee
21		University. They have a they have a
22		need to upgrade the amount of data they
23		need to push, which is not being
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1	currently served. So that will be a
2	main premise customer, if you will. And
3	then expansion through the City of
4	Tuskegee, expansion through the City of
5	Notasulga as the carriers push push
6	for you know, as the carriers want to
7	deliver more of their services.
8	The other areas that I would say we
9	have we have eye'd are Auburn and
10	then, on the west side, Selma City of
11	Selma, and really Dallas County. We
12	look at a more of a county basis
13	versus city because the economics make
14	more sense for us.
15	So I would say Dallas County, Macon
16	County. And then, going south, Baldwin
17	County is another county that we've had
18	some discussions with as well.
¹⁹ Q.	And will there be a toll-free customer
20	service number, or do you currently have
21	a toll-free customer service number in
22	case, you know, the system goes down or
23	there's a problem?

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1	Α.	We do not, but it's we have a system
2		that is what's the term?
3		Interconnected with the carriers. So
4		the carriers have a have an
5		interface a computer interface where
6		they log in.
7	Q.	So if they have problems and they start
8		receiving calls from customers you
9		know, their customers, then they will
10		contact you through this
11		interconnection?
12	Α.	That's correct. So they when they
13		receive a call they would be
14		considered tier one. They provide the
15		tier one response. So if there's a
16		problem on their end and then we
17		would be more of a tier actually
18		they're tier one and tier two. We would
19		be tier three. We'd be the last call
20		they'd make. Hey, there's there's
21		something on a physical level
22	Q.	Right.
23	Α.	wrong there. That could be a

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1		break/fix, something like that on a
2		physical level that we would have to
3		then say, okay, yeah, that's on our
4		side, and we'll go down and we'll
5		we'll fix it.
6	Q.	Is that manned 24/7, I mean, where they
7		could get in touch with somebody?
8	Α.	It is. It's 24/7. That's correct.
9		Monitoring.
10		And to that note, if I may add, the
11		break/fix repair would be a contract
12		that we would employ a local company,
13		more than likely the same companies that
14		service the other carriers here AT&T
15		locally. They out source that break/fix
16		repair to us. So it would be a phone
17		call. It would be someone to in the
18		footprint. So no one has to come from
19		Georgia or Atlanta actually physically
20		down. It's a local company that gets
21		deployed to do that.
22	Q.	Okay.
23	A.	And being all fiber is a benefit because

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1		we can locate the break or the break
2		within I believe it's within six
3		inches.
4	Q.	Oh, wow.
5	A.	It's because it's all fiber based. So
6		the break/fix is very quick.
7	Q.	That's great.
8		So you don't plan to have any type
9		of service center in Alabama even if you
10		grow into these other areas or
11	A.	Oh, yes, we do. I misunderstood the
12		question. Currently no, we don't have
13		it. But absolutely, if we go beyond one
14		county, maybe even Macon County our
15		initial plan was potentially to set up
16		something in the City of Tuskegee
17		aligned with Tuskegee University. They
18		have some interest R&D interest and
19		things of that nature. So there have
20		I will say there have been already talks
21		about standing up some form of office or
22		secondary NOC excuse me network
23		operation center on campus or

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1		thereabouts.
2		But definitely if we go beyond
3		Macon County, which I hope we do, we
4		would actually look at we've had some
5		preliminary discussions with some
6		locations here in Montgomery, being a
7		central location to all three.
8		Absolutely, yes.
9	Q.	Do you have any type, at this point in
10		time, point of contact on the equipment
11		that will be installed in Alabama, a
12		person that would be overseeing it?
13	Α.	Oh. That would be
14	Q.	Physically overseeing it.
15	Α.	Okay. So in within A2D, Jerrald
16		Rector would be that person. We are
17		hiring local contractors to physically
18		install that install that equipment.
19		But Jerrald Rector would be the point of
20		contact as far as knowing the details,
21		the ins and outs, of the facilities
22		being installed.
23	Q.	And just for the record, you do intend

1		to provide your services only to other
2		telecommunication carriers?
3	Α.	That's correct. Well, let me for the
4		record, let me let me clarify. For
5		large circuits, in the instance of
6		Tuskegee University, we would also look
7		at push directly engaging with a
8		large enterprise to transport their
9		traffic to a carrier. So that is a
10		secondary site.
11		Now, it is not a voice it's not a
12		voice/video service. We're and so
13		basically we extend their their
14		network to a carrier location. And at
15		that point, they engage with the
16		carrier. So they still have a contract
17		with the carrier for voice, video, or
18		data. We just move all that traffic to
19		them.
20	Q.	You're still the middle man?
21	Α.	I'm still the middle man.
22	Q.	Okay.
23	Α.	But I will say I will go on the

<pre>1 record saying our our plan is 99 2 percent of our engagement will be with 3 carriers getting them to the customer. 4 Very rarely will we engage with the 5 customer to bring them with the carrier, 6 unless they so request. 7 Q. And earlier when we were talking about, 8 you know, troubles and problems and 9 you know, when the system goes down or 10 whatever, is there do you have any 11 type of maintenance contract with these 12 contractors that will go out and 13 actually fix the problem or 14 A. Oh. Well, at this point in time 15 because we don't have network built 16 here, we only have proposals 17 proposals, negotiation as far as 18 pricing. But it's on a per it's on a 19 per-fix it's on a fixed price basis, 20 those contracts will be. So within 30 21 days, yes. Right now, just 22 Q. You will have them? 23 A. Yes, we will have them. Absolutely, </pre>			•
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23 A. Yes, we will have them. Absolutely,	22	Q.	You will have them?
	23	Α.	Yes, we will have them. Absolutely,

1		yes.
2	Q.	Are you familiar with the Commission
3		rules on supervision and inspection
4		fees?
5	A.	Absolutely, yes.
б	Q.	And in the state of Georgia where you've
7		been operating for several years, have
8		you had any major complaints or problems
9		there that
10	A.	No, ma'am.
11	Q.	haven't been handled or taken care
12		of?
13	A.	No complaints. Comcast actually loved
14		us.
15	Q.	Well, good.
16		MS. CONWAY: I think that's
17		all the questions I have, Judge
18		Morris. A carrier's carrier is
19		not required to have a tariff on
20		file with the Commission. So they
21		did file a tariff, but I did not
22		even review it because it's not a
23		necessity. So
	2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22	2 Q. 3 4 5 A. 6 Q. 7 8 9 10 A. 11 Q. 12 A. 13 A. 14 Q. 15 Q. 14 15 Q. 14 15 Q. 14 15 Q.

1	ALJ MORRIS: What about that
2	instance they were they're
3	providing some I guess an
4	extension, say, of Tuskegee
5	University to connect to their
6	current provider? Is there do
7	we need anything on that, or is
8	that
9	MS. CONWAY: Well, the way
10	I the way I understood it, it
11	still you're going to be the
12	middle man.
13	MR. QUARELS: That's correct.
14	MS. CONWAY: You're not going
15	to be dealing directly with
16	Tuskegee University.
17	MR. QUARELS: That's correct.
18	MS. CONWAY: If they have a
19	problem or they want service or
20	they want to change service or
21	whatever, they're still going to
22	be dealing with another carrier
23	MR. QUARELS: That's correct.
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1	That's correct.
2	MS. CONWAY: that you will
3	be providing the access for.
4	MR. QUARELS: Absolutely.
5	ALJ MORRIS: Okay.
6	MS. CONWAY: So I think that
7	sounds okay to me.
8	ALJ MORRIS: Looking through
9	your organizational and
10	financial on the organizational
11	side, I see the articles of
12	incorporation for the parent A2D,
13	Incorporated, but it appears under
14	this that you're going to be doing
15	business in Alabama under a
16	separate LLC subsidiary.
17	MR. QUARELS: Correct.
18	ALJ MORRIS: Is that correct?
19	MR. QUARELS: Yes.
20	ALJ MORRIS: I don't see the
21	articles of organization for that
22	Ecommunity Broadband
23	Infrastructure (Alabama). So if

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1 you could get the -- provide a 2 copy of the articles. I didn't 3 see them in my pack. 4 I don't know if you have 5 them, Janet. 6 MR. QUARELS: I know -- okay. 7 I know I provided the business 8 license. 9 ALJ MORRIS: You provided a 10 business license and you provided 11 the Georgia articles of 12 incorporation --13 MR. QUARELS: For A2D. 14 ALJ MORRIS: -- for A2D, but I 15 don't have the articles of 16 organization that you filed in 17 Alabama for Ecommunity Broadband. 18 MR. QUARELS: Okay. 19 ALJ MORRIS: And you could 20 just file those posthearing. 21 MR. QUARELS: No problem. Ι 22 thought I did, but I could be 23 mistaken.

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1	ALJ MORRIS: Yeah. I don't
2	I didn't see them in here.
3	There's a lot of stuff for A2D,
4	but
5	MR. QUARELS: And just for the
6	record, that's that's part of
7	our business model in that we
8	would create a different LLC
9	ALJ MORRIS: Right.
10	MR. QUARELS: for each one
11	because it is asset-based
12	fundamentally.
13	ALJ MORRIS: Right.
14	MR. QUARELS: So I just want
15	to make sure that's not an issue
16	as we as we try to move forward
17	through the state here.
18	ALJ MORRIS: Well, we're going
19	to we're going to get to that
20	as I come to the financials,
21	though.
22	MR. QUARELS: Sure.
23	ALJ MORRIS: I see you've got

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1	the balance sheet for A2D and
2	income statement, and that
3	looks that looks fine. And
4	then what appears to be I would
5	assume are some projections that
б	you've made for the Alabama
7	operation?
8	MR. QUARELS: That's correct.
9	ALJ MORRIS: Since you don't
10	currently have any operations, I'm
11	assuming and correct me if this
12	is an inaccurate assumption
13	that Ecommunity Broadband is
14	currently either not capitalized
15	or minimally capitalized at this
16	point?
17	MR. QUARELS: It is
18	capitalized enough to fund this
19	fund the current build that I
20	mentioned, the 20 mile. So it is
21	sitting on with cash and/or
22	assets, which we've already
23	purchased.

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1	ALJ MORRIS: And it is the
2	is this A2D, Incorporated is
3	that a consolidated balance sheet
4	of all the operations that would
5	include Ecommunity, or is it just
6	a stand-alone?
7	MR. QUARELS: That's a
8	stand-alone.
9	ALJ MORRIS: That's a
10	stand-alone. Okay.
11	MR. QUARELS: And the
12	projections you see, I mean, if I
13	may note, are based on one,
14	there is there is an actual
15	contract with Tuskegee for that
16	so there is you know, it's not
17	all projection. Some of it is
18	based upon actual contracts.
19	ALJ MORRIS: An actual
20	contract?
21	MR. QUARELS: Yeah, that's
22	correct.
23	ALJ MORRIS: Could you

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1 provide -- and, again, it can be 2 kind of like this A2D. It doesn't 3 have to be -- I know it's a 4 private company. Sometimes we're 5 hesitant to get all your 6 information out there in the 7 public domain. 8 But would it be possible 9 to get a -- just a separate -- and 10 it can be, again, a very 11 high-level balance sheet picture 12 for the subsidiary? 13 MR. QUARELS: For ECBI? 14 ALJ MORRIS: Yeah. 15 MR. QUARELS: Yes. Are you 16 sure that's not -- I forget. I 17 left that. 18 ALJ MORRIS: Well, what I'm 19 seeing here in the record is an 20 A2D, Inc., balance sheet as of 21 October 31, 2014, and A2D, Inc., 22 income statement October 31, 2014, 23 and then some --

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1	MR. QUARELS: If you don't
2	mind, what you show on the record
3	for the 2014 income, what's the
4	what's the net profit at the
5	bottom?
6	ALJ MORRIS: On the income
7	net income was a minus 497,564.
8	MR. QUARELS: Okay. That was
9	that would be yeah. Yes.
10	ALJ MORRIS: Yeah.
11	MR. QUARELS: I just wanted to
12	make sure. Okay.
13	ALJ MORRIS: Yeah. And then
14	there's some stuff appears to
15	be let's see some figures
16	related to the network expansion.
17	Out-of-pocket costs, annual
18	operating expenses
19	MR. QUARELS: Okay. Yeah.
20	ALJ MORRIS: and some
21	information about the office space
22	in Marietta. And then the
23	projections on the and, again,

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1	you specifically list on this one
2	Tuskegee University under
3	enterprise transport revenue, and
4	there's some figures for carrier
5	transport revenue and expenses.
6	MR. QUARELS: Yeah. I can
7	provide the balance sheet.
8	ALJ MORRIS: That appears to
9	be that appears to be a
10	projection for the for the
11	MR. QUARELS: ECBI.
12	ALJ MORRIS: Yeah, ECBI.
13	MR. QUARELS: That's correct.
14	That's correct.
15	ALJ MORRIS: Yeah. So if you
16	could provide the Alabama articles
17	of organization for ECBI
18	MR. QUARELS: ECBI.
19	ALJ MORRIS: and the
20	financial statements for ECBI.
21	MR. QUARELS: Sounds good.
22	ALJ MORRIS: And that's all I
23	think we need.

1	Is there anything else
2	you need, Ms. Conway?
3	MS. CONWAY: I don't need
4	anything else.
5	ALJ MORRIS: That would be all
6	we will need to move this forward.
7	If you can get that in the next
8	couple of days. I'm pretty sure
9	we can get this on the docket for
10	the February Commission meeting
11	for approval.
12	MR. QUARELS: Do I still have
13	to come back for the
14	ALJ MORRIS: No. No, you
15	don't have to come back for that.
16	MR. QUARELS: Oh, okay.
17	ALJ MORRIS: And you can file
18	those documents
19	What's the best way for
20	them to do that? Directly to you
21	or through Walter or probably
22	through Walter, through the
23	secretary's office.

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1	MS. CONWAY: Yeah, through the
2	secretary's office, like you have
3	filed everything else.
4	MR. QUARELS: Okay. If I may
5	ask if there's any current as
6	it stands, currently ALDOT is
7	holding, of course, our permits
8	until we have the certification
9	done. If there's any some sort
10	of transmittal or something that I
11	could get sooner than February to
12	indicate I don't know if that's
13	a good question.
14	ALJ MORRIS: Well, yeah. It
15	has to be approved by the
16	Commission. And the next
17	Commission meeting is I believe
18	it's on the 3rd of February, the
19	first Tuesday.
20	MS. CONWAY: It's the first
21	Tuesday, whatever that is in
22	February.
23	ALJ MORRIS: Yeah. February
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1	3rd. That's going to be the
2	earliest date that it would be up
3	for approval. So that's, what, in
4	about two and a half, three weeks?
5	So that's they only meet once a
б	month.
7	MR. QUARELS: Understood.
8	ALJ MORRIS: Anything else you
9	have, Mr. Quarels, before we
10	adjourn? I think we've got
11	everything on our end that we
12	need.
13	Okay. With that, we will
14	take this under advisement, and
15	this hearing is concluded. Thank
16	you very much.
17	MR. QUARELS: Thank you.
18	(The proceedings concluded at
19	10:33 a.m.)
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3	MONTGOMERY COUNTY
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