

## STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION

AT RICHMOND, APRIL 2, 2020

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STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION

CASE NO. SEC-2020-00017

SEC-2020-00018

*Ex Parte: Extension of Franchise, Trademark  
or Service Mark Renewal Deadlines*EXTENSION ORDERS

On March 17, 2020, in response to the ongoing public health emergency relating to the spread of the coronavirus, or COVID-19, the declarations of emergency issued at both the state<sup>1</sup> and federal levels, and the Order Declaring a Judicial Emergency In Response to COVID-19 Emergency issued by the Supreme Court of Virginia on March 16, 2020 ("Judicial Emergency Declaration")<sup>2</sup>, the State Corporation Commission ("Commission") entered certain orders extending the deadline for certain Eligible Franchises<sup>3</sup> and Eligible Marks<sup>4</sup> to be registered, renewed or exempted for 21 days or such other time period as may be subsequently ordered by this Commission or the Supreme Court of Virginia ("Extension Orders").

NOW THE COMMISSION, upon consideration of these matters, takes judicial notice that the underlying events and conditions prompting the initial entry of the Extension Orders continue. The Commission hereby ORDERS that the above referenced Extension Orders are

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<sup>1</sup> *See* Executive Order No. 51, Declaration of a State of Emergency Due to Novel Corona Virus. COVID-19, issued March 12, 2020, by Governor Ralph S. Northam.

<sup>2</sup> On March 27, 2020, the Supreme Court of Virginia extended the Judicial Emergency Declaration's applicable time frame until April 26, 2020.

<sup>3</sup> As defined in Order Extending Franchise Renewal Deadlines, Doc. Con. Cen. No. 200320238.

<sup>4</sup> As defined in Order Extending Trademark and Service Mark Renewal Deadlines, Doc. Con. Cen. No. 200320239.

extended and remain in effect during the pendency of the Judicial Emergency Declaration, or any similar subsequent declaration, declaration extension or order of the Supreme Court of Virginia, or such other time period as may be subsequently ordered by the Commission.

IT IS SO ORDERED this 2nd day of April, 2020.