

Alabama Public Service Commission

Orders

THE CONTACT NETWORK, INC., d/b/a INLINE,
Applicant

APPLICATION: For a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to provide Facilities-Based and Resold Local and Interexchange Service of a voiceless nature in the State of Alabama.

DOCKET 27614

REPORT AND ORDER

BY THE COMMISSION:

By application filed on or about May 31, 2000, The Contact Network, Inc., a corporation, d/b/a InLine, 219 Oxmoor Circle, Birmingham, Alabama 35209, seeks a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to provide Facilities-Based and Resold Local and Interexchange Service of a voiceless nature within the State of Alabama.

Pursuant to notice dated June 20, 2000, the application was heard on August 10, 2000. The Attorney General intervened and participated in the hearing as did Commission staff.

It appears from the record in this proceeding, and we find, that the Applicant has demonstrated that it possesses the technical, managerial and financial resources to provide the services proposed. It further appears that the Applicant has demonstrated that the public interest would be best served by its proposed operations. Accordingly, it appears that the Applicant should be granted a certificate authorizing the provision of Voiceless Local Exchange and Interexchange Telecommunications Services.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED BY THE COMMISSION, That a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity is hereby issued to The Contact Network, Inc., a corporation, d/b/a InLine, 219 Oxmoor Circle, Birmingham, Alabama 35209, authorizing operations as a provider of Voiceless Facilities-Based and Resold Local Exchange service in all areas of the State of Alabama as authorized by this Commission in its September 20, 1995, Report and Order in Dockets 24030, 24472, 24499 and 24865; provided, however that service under this Certificate may be commenced only after the Applicant has complied with all orders, rules and regulations that have and shall be promulgated by the Commission under Dockets 24030, 24472, 24499 and 24865.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED BY THE COMMISSION, That the Local Exchange telecommunications services tariff is hereby approved.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED BY THE COMMISSION, That the certificate granted herein shall also authorize the provision of Voiceless Interexchange Telecommunications service in the State of Alabama.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED BY THE COMMISSION, That the tariff for toll service is hereby approved.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED BY THE COMMISSION, That in light of the voiceless nature of the service which the Applicant is herein authorized to provide, the Applicant is hereby granted a waiver from the Emergency Service, Dual Party Relay Service and Operator Directory Service obligations that are placed on providers of voice communications.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED BY THE COMMISSION, That the Applicant shall file annual reports and shall maintain adequate books of account and financial records in accordance with the rules and regulations promulgated by this Commission. Said books and records shall separate the telephone service from all other businesses in which the Applicant may be engaged.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED BY THE COMMISSION, That the Applicant shall render sufficient and continuous service in accordance with the rules and regulations of the Commission and the Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity issued herein.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED BY THE COMMISSION, That jurisdiction in this cause is hereby retained for any further order or orders as this Commission may find just and reasonable in the premises.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, That this Order shall be effective as of the date hereof.

DONE at Montgomery, Alabama, this 15th day of September, 2000.

ALABAMA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Jim Sullivan, President

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George C. Wallace, Jr., Commissioner

ATTEST: A True Copy

Walter L. Thomas, Jr., Secretary

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