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SOUTHERN LIGHT, LLC,

Applicant

APPLICATION: For a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to provide Intrastate Local Exchange and Interexchange Telecommunications Services within the State of Alabama.

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REPORT AND ORDER

BY THE COMMISSION:

Due to a scrivener's error in the assignment of a Docket number, this Order takes the place of and is substituted for the Order entered in this proceeding on September 10, 2001. All remaining parts of the original Order are unchanged.

By application filed on or about June 13, 2001, Southern Light, LLC, a limited liability company, 1301 Azalea Road, Suite 503, Mobile, Alabama 36693, seeks a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to provide Intrastate Local Exchange and Interexchange Telecommunications Services within the State of Alabama.

Pursuant to notice dated July 13, 2001, the application was heard on August 16, 2001. 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

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should be granted a Certificate authorizing the provision of Intrastate Local Exchange and Interexchange Telecommunications Services which is consistent with the services similarly situated applicants have been authorized to provide. The Local Exchange Services authorized herein must be provided in compliance with the rules and regulations governing such service established by the Commission in its Local Competition proceedings in Dockets 24030, 24472, 24499 and 24865, as well as all other applicable rules and regulations of the Commission.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED BY THE COMMISSION, That a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity is hereby issued to Southern Light, LLC, a limited liability company, 1301 Azalea Road, Suite 503, Mobile, Alabama 36693, authorizing operations as a provider of Intrastate Local Exchange and Interexchange Telecommunications Services 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 Interexchange Telecommunications Services 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 the Applicant shall file annual reports and shall maintain adequate books of account and financial records in accordance with

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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 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 29th day of June, 2005.

ALABAMA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION


Jim Sullivan, President


Jan Cook, Commissioner


George C. Wallace, Jr., Commissioner

ATTEST: A True Copy


Walter L. Thomas, Jr., Secretary