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BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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Pacwest Fiber.Net, LLC

Request for Authority to Provide Interexchange Telecommunications Service within the State of Florida Docket No.

APPLICATION FORM for AUTHORITY TO PROVIDE INTEREXCHANGE TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICE WITHIN THE STATE OF FLORIDA

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- 1. This is an application for (check one):
 - (X) Original Authority (New company).
 - () Approval of Transfer (To another certificated company).
 - () Approval of Assignment of Existing Certificate (To a noncertificated company).
 - () Approval for Transfer of Control (To another certificated company).
- 2. Select what type of business your company will be conducting (check all that apply):
 - (X) Facilities Based Carrier company owns and operates or plans to own and operate telecommunications switches and transmission facilities in Florida.
 - () Operator Service Provider company provides or plans to provide alternative operator services for IXCs; or toll operator services to call aggregator locations; or clearinghouse services to bill such calls.
 - (X) Reseller company has or plans to have one or more switches, but primarily leases the transmission facilities of other carriers. Bills its own customer base for services used.
 - () Switchless Rebiller company has no switch or transmission facilities, but may have a billing computer. Aggregates traffic to obtain bulk discounts from underlying carrier. Rebills end users at a rate above its discount, but generally below the rate end users would pay for unaggregated traffic.
 - () Multi-Location Discount Aggregator company contracts with unaffiliated entities to obtain bulk/volume discounts under multi-location discount plans from certain underlying carriers, then offers the resold service by enrolling unaffiliated customers.
- 3. Name of corporation, partnership, cooperative, joint venture, or sole proprietorship:

Pacwest Fiber.Net, LLC ("PF.Net" or "Applicant")

4. Name under which the applicant will do business (fictitious name, etc.):

PF.Net

5. National address (including street name and number, post office box, city, state, and zip code):

Pacwest Fiber.Net, LLC P.O. Box 1088 Camas, Washington 98607 Tel: (360) 835-9170 Fax: (360) 835-8050

6. Florida address (including street name and number, post office box, city, state, and zip code):

PF.Net currently does not have a Florida address.

- 7. Structure of organization:
 - () Individual

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- () Corporation
- () Foreign Corporation
- () Foreign Partnership() Limited Partnership
- General Partnership () Limi
- (X) Other, <u>PF.Net is a Delaware limited liability company. Please refer to</u> Section 9 for further information.
- 8. If applicant is an individual or partnership, please give name, title, and address of sole proprietor or partners.

Not Applicable.

- (a) Provide proof of compliance with the foreign limited partnership statute (Chapter 620.169 FS), if applicable.
- (b) Indicate if the individual or any of the partners have previously been:
 - (1) adjudged bankrupt, mentally incompetent, or found guilty of any felony or of any crime, or whether such actions may result from pending proceedings.
 - (2) officer, director, partner, or stockholder in any other Florida certificated telephone company. If yes, give name of company and relationship. If no longer associated with company, give reason why not.

- 9. If incorporated, please give:
 - (a) Proof from the Florida Secretary of State that the applicant has authority to operate in Florida.

Applicant is qualified to do business in the State of Florida as a foreign limited liability company. A copy of PF.Net's Certificate of Authority to Transact Business in the State of Florida is attached hereto as Exhibit 1.

Corporation charter number: M9900000216

(b) Name and address of the company's Florida registered agent.

CT Corporation System 1200 South Pine Island Road Plantation, Florida 33324

(c) Provide proof of compliance with the fictitious name statute (Chapter 865.09 FS), if applicable.

See Exhibit 1.

Fictitious name registration number: G99070900138

- (d) Indicate if any of the officers, directors, or any of the ten largest stockholders have previously been:
 - (1) adjudged bankrupt, mentally incompetent, or found guilty of any felony or of any crime, or whether such actions may result from pending proceedings.

None.

(2) officer, director, partner, or stockholder in any other Florida certificated telephone company. If yes, give name of company and relationship. If no longer associated with company, give reason why not.

John Warta was Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of GST Telecom and ITG Telecom, a subsidiary of GST Telecom. John Warta retired from GST in 1998.

- 10. Who will serve as liaison with the Commission in regard to (please give name, title, address, and telephone number):
 - (a) Application:

Andrew D. Lipman Anthony Hansel SWIDLER BERLIN SHEREFF FRIEDMAN, LLP 3000 K Street, N.W., Suite 300 Washington, D.C. 20007 Telephone: (202) 424-7500 Facsimile: (202) 424-7645

(b) Official Point of Contact for the ongoing operations of the company:

John Warta Pacwest Fiber.Net, LLC P.O. Box 1088 Camas, Washington 98607 Tel: (360) 835-9170 Fax: (360) 835-8050

(c) Tariff:

John Warta Pacwest Fiber.Net, LLC P.O. Box 1088 Camas, Washington 98607 Tel: (360) 835-9170 Fax: (360) 835-8050

(d) Complaints/Inquiries from customers:

PF.Net's customer service number: (360) 835-9170, is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. PF.Net will promptly respond to any customer service or maintenance inquiries. If necessary, personnel will be dispatched to respond to installation and repair requests.

- 11. List the states in which the applicant:
 - (a) Has operated as an interexchange carrier.

PF.Net is a start-up company and has not begun operations in any state as an interexchange carrier.

(b) Has applications pending to be certificated as an interexchange carrier.

PF.Net is in the process of applying for certification as an interexchange carrier in Alabama, Arkansas, Colorado, Georgia, Kansas, Louisiana, Mississippi, Oklahoma and Texas.

(c) Is certificated to operate as an interexchange carrier.

As a start-up company, PF.Net has not been certificated nor has applied for certification to operate as an interexchange carrier in any other jurisdiction.

(d) Has been denied authority to operate as an interexchange carrier and the circumstances involved.

Applicant has not been denied authority to operate as an interexchange carrier.

(e) Has had regulatory penalties imposed for violations of telecommunications statutes and the circumstances involved.

None.

(f) Has been involved in civil court proceedings with an interexchange carrier, local exchange company, or other telecommunications entity and the circumstances involved.

None.

12. What services will the applicant offer to other certificated telephone companies:

- (X) Facilities () Operators
- () Billing and Collection
- () Maintenance
- () Other ____
- 13. Do you have a marketing program?

As a start-up company, PF.Net has not fully developed its marketing plan. However, only employees of PF.Net will be marketing or selling its services.

() Sales

- 14. Will your marketing program: Not applicable.
 - () Pay commissions?
 - () Offer sales franchises?
 - () Offer multi-level sales incentives?
 - () Offer other sales incentives?
- 15. Explain any of the offers checked in question 14 (to whom, what amount, type of franchise, etc.).

Not applicable.

- 16. Who will receive the bills for your services (check all that apply)?
 - () Residential Customers
 - () PATS Providers
 - () Hotels and Motels
 - () Universities
 - () Other, _____

- (X) Business Customers
- () PATS Station End-Users
- () Hotel and Motel Guests
- () Univ. Dormitory Residents
- 17. Please provide the following (if applicable):
 - (a) Will the name of your company appear on the bill for your services and, if not, who will the billed party contact to ask questions about the bill (provide name and phone number) and how is this information provided?

Yes, Pacwest Fiber.Net, LLC's name will appear on bills sent to customers.

(b) Name and address of the firm who will bill for your services.

PF.Net will bill customers directly for its services.

- 18. Please provide all available documentation demonstrating that the applicant has the following capabilities to provide interexchange telecommunications service in Florida.
 - A. Financial capability.

Regarding the showing of financial capability, the following applies: The application <u>should contain</u> the applicant's financial statements, including:

- 1. the balance sheet
- 2. income statement
- 3. statement of retained earnings for the most recent 3 years.

If available, the financial statements should be audited financial statements.

If the applicant does not have audited financial statements, it shall be so stated. The unaudited financial statements should then be signed by the applicant's chief executive officer and chief financial officer. The signatures should <u>affirm</u> that the financial statements are true and correct.

See Exhibit 2.

B. Managerial capability.

See Exhibit 3.

C. Technical capability.

See Exhibit 3.

19. Please submit the proposed tariff under which the company plans to begin operation. Use the format required by Commission Rule 25-24.485 (example enclosed).

PF.Net's proposed tariff is appended hereto as Exhibit 4. Initially, PF.Net will provide high-bandwidth fiber optic point-to-point capacity to Internet and telecommunications companies on a wholesale basis, and as such, rates and charges will be developed on an individual contract basis ("ICB") in response to each particular customer's request for service, taking into account the nature of the facilities and service, the costs of construction and operation, the volume of traffic, the length of service commitment by the customer, and use of facilities by other customers. Such arrangements will be made available to similarly situated customers on a non-discriminatory basis. PF.Net will tariff applicable rates as it expands its offerings to include a full range of retail offerings.

20. The applicant will provide the following interexchange carrier services (check all that apply):

PF.Net intends to provide non-switched dedicated and private line high capacity fiber optic transmission services.

- () MTS with distance sensitive per minute rates
 - () Method of access is FGA
 - () Method of access is FGB
 - () Method of access is FGD
 - () Method of access is 800
- () MTS with route specific rates per minute
 - () Method of access is FGA
 - () Method of access is FGB
 - () Method of access is FGD
 - () Method of access is 800
- () MTS with statewide flat rates per minute (*i.e.*, not distance sensitive)
 - () Method of access is FGA
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 - () Method of access is FGD
 - () Method of access is 800
- () MTS for pay telephone service providers

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- () Block-of-time calling plan (Reach Out Florida, Ring America, etc.)
- () 800 Service (toll free)
- () WATS-type Service (bulk or volume discount)
 - () Method of access is via dedicated facilities
 - () Method of access is via switched facilities
- (X) Private Line Services (channel services) (*i.e.*, 1.544 mbs., DS-3, etc.)
- () Travel Service
 - () Method of access is 950
 - () Method of access is 800 and 888
- () 900 Service
- () Operator Services
 - () Available to presubscribed customers
 - () Available to non-presubscribed customers (*i.e.*, to patrons of hotels, students in universities, patients in hospitals)
 - () Available to inmates

Services included are:

- () Station assistance
- () Person-to-Person assistance
- () Directory assistance
- () Operator verify and interrupt
- () Conference calling
- 21. What does the end-user dial for each of the interexchange carrier services that were checked in services included (above)?

Not applicable.

22. Other:

Applicant hereby respectfully requests a waiver to maintain its records outside the State of Florida.

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**** APPLICANT ACKNOWLEDGMENT STATEMENT ****

- 1. **REGULATORY ASSESSMENT FEE:** I understand that all telephone companies must pay a regulatory assessment fee in the amount of <u>.15 of one percent</u> of its gross operating revenue derived from intrastate business. Regardless of the gross operating revenue of a company, a minimum annual assessment fee of \$50 is required.
- 2. GROSS RECEIPTS TAX: I understand that all telephone companies must pay a gross receipts tax of two and one-half percent on all intra and interstate business.
- 3. SALES TAX: I understand that a seven percent sales tax must be paid on intra and interstate revenues.
- 4. **APPLICATION FEE:** A non-refundable application fee of \$250.00 must be submitted with the application.
- 5. RECEIPT AND UNDERSTANDING OF RULES: I acknowledge receipt and understanding of the Florida Public Service Commission's Rules and Orders relating to my provision of interexchange telephone service in Florida. I also understand that it is my responsibility to comply with all current and future Commission requirements regarding interexchange telephone service.
- 6. ACCURACY OF APPLICATION: By my signature below, I have authority to make this statement on behalf of the named utility in the application, attest to the accuracy of the information contained in this application and associated attachments. I have read the foregoing and declare that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the information is a true and correct statement.

Further, I am aware that, pursuant to Chapter 837.06, Florida Statutes, "Whoever knowingly makes a false statement in writing with the intent to mislead a public servant in the performance of his official duty shall be guilty of a misdemeanor of the second degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082 and s. 775-083."

UTILITY OFFICIAL:

3/26/99 Signature John Warta

 Name

 Manager

 Title

 Pacwest Fiber.Net, LLC

 Tel:
 (360) 835-9170

 Fax:
 (360) 835-8050

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** APPENDIX A **

CERTIFICATE TRANSFER STATEMENT

Not Applicable. Pacwest Fiber.Net, LLC is applying for original authority.

I, (TYPE NAME)	,
(TITLE)	, of (NAME OF COMPANY)
	, and current holder of certificate
number	, have reviewed this application and join in the petitioner's
request for a transfer of the a	bove-mentioned certificate.

UTILITY OFFICIAL:

De	3/26/19
Signature	Date
John Warta	_
Name	
Manager	_
Title	_

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CUSTOMER DEPOSITS AND ADVANCE PAYMENTS

A statement of how the Commission can be assured of the security of the customer's deposits and advance payments may be responded to in one of the following ways (applicant, please check one):

- (X) The applicant will not collect deposits nor will it collect payments for service more than one month in advance.
- () The applicant will file with the Commission and maintain a surety bond in an amount equal to the current balance of deposits and advance payments in excess of one month. (Bond must accompany application.)

UTILITY OFFICIAL:	JQLJQ	3/26/99
	Signature	Date
	John Warta	_
	Name	
	Manager	
	Title	
	Pacwest Fiber.Net, LLC	
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	Fax: (360) 835-8050	

** APPENDIX C **

INTRASTATE NETWORK

PF.Net seeks authority to provide interexchange services utilizing a combination of its own facilities, and (where necessary) resold facilities of other carriers. Applicant will construct a facilities-based dedicated and private line fiber optic communications infrastructure that will be leased to communications carriers and large corporate/government customers on a point-to-point basis for high-bandwidth, secure voice and data networks. Initially, PF.Net will be reselling the services of other carriers while its facilities are being built. Once the Applicant has completed the initial build, the Applicant will move this traffic onto its own network and actively begin selling services on a wholesale basis. At this time, PF.Net does not have a detailed plan of where and exactly what kind of facilities it will construct.

1. **POP:** Addresses where located, and indicate if owned or leased.

Not yet determined. See Above.

- 1)
 2)

 3)
 4)
- 2. **SWITCHES:** Addresses where located, by type of switch, and indicate if owned or leased.

Not Applicable. See Above.

- 1) 2)
- 3) 4)

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** APPENDIX C **

INTRASTATE NETWORK (continued)

3. **TRANSMISSION FACILITIES:** POP-to-POP facilities by type of facilities (microwave, fiber, copper, satellite, etc.) and indicate if owned or leased.

Not yet determined. See Above.

POP-to-POP	<u>TYPE</u>	<u>OWNERSHIP</u>
1)		
2)		

4. **ORIGINATING SERVICE:** Please provide the list of exchanges where you are proposing to provide originating service within thirty (30) days after the effective date of the certificate (Appendix D).

Pacwest Fiber.Net, LLC seeks authority to originate interexchange telecommunications service throughout the State of Florida.

5. **TRAFFIC RESTRICTIONS:** Please explain how the applicant will comply with the EAEA requirements contained in Commission Rule 25-24.471(4)(a) (copy enclosed).

Initially, PF.Net proposes to provide interexchange service on a resale basis. The certificated carriers from which PF.Net will purchase services for resale will be responsible for complying with Commission Rule 25-24.471(4)(a). When PF.Net deploys its own facilities-based interexchange service, it will do so in a manner that recognizes that "the local exchange company shall be the sole carrier for 0+ local, 0- local and 0- intraLATA toll calls dialed by end users." PF.Net will "not change or augment the dialing pattern of end users for such calls."

- 6. CURRENT FLORIDA INTRASTATE SERVICES: Applicant has () or has not (X) previously provided intrastate telecommunications in Florida. If the answer is <u>has</u>, fully describe the following:
 - a) What services have been provided and when did these services begin?

Not Applicable.

b) If the services are not currently offered, when were they discontinued?

Not Applicable.

UTILITY OFFICIAL:

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John Warta	
Name	-
Manager	_

Title

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** APPENDIX D **

FLORIDA TELEPHONE EXCHANGES AND EAS ROUTES

Describe the service area in which you hold yourself out to provide service by telephone company exchange. If all services listed in your tariff are not offered at all locations, so indicate.

In an effort to assist you, attached is a list of major exchanges in Florida showing the small exchanges with which each has extended area service (EAS).

Extended Service		
Area	with	These Exchanges
PENSACOLA:		Cantonment, Gulf Breeze Pace, Milton Holley-Navarre.
PANAMA CITY:		Lynn Haven, Panama City Beach, Youngstown-Fountain and Tyndall AFB.
TALLAHASSEE:		Crawfordville, Havana, Monticello, Panacea, Sopchoppy and St. Marks.
JACKSONVILLE:		Baldwin, Ft. George, Jacksonville Beach, Callahan, Maxville, Middleburg, Orange Park, Ponte Vedra and Julington.
GAINESVILLE:		Alachua, Archer, Brooker, Hawthorne, High Springs, Melrose, Micanopy, Newberry and Waldo.
OCALA:		Belleview, Citra, Dunnellon, Forest Lady Lake (B21), McIntosh, Oklawaha, Orange Springs, Salt Springs and Silver Springs Shores.
DAYTONA BEACH:		New Smyrna Beach.

** FLORIDA EAS FOR MAJOR EXCHANGES **

** APPENDIX D **

FLORIDA TELEPHONE EXCHANGES AND EAS ROUTES (continued)

ТАМРА:	Central East North South West	None Plant City Zephyrhills Palmetto Clearwater	
CLEARWATER:	St. Petersburg, Tampa Tarpon Springs.	-West and	
ST. PETERSBURG:	Clearwater.		
LAKELAND:	•	Bartow, Mulberry, Plant City, Polk City and Winter Haven.	
ORLANDO:	Apopka, East Orange, Lake Buena Vista, Oviedo, Windermere, Winter Garden, Winter Park, Montverde, Reedy Creek and Oviedo-Winter Springs.		
WINTER PARK:	Aopoka, East Orange, Lake Buena Vista, Orlando, Oviedo, Sanford, Windermere, Winter Garden, Oviedo-Winter Springs Reedy Cree Geneva and Montverde.		
TITUSVILLE:	Cocoa and Cocoa Bead	ch.	
COCOA:	Cocoa Beach, Eau Gallie, Melbourn and Titusville.		
MELBOURNE:	Cocoa, Cocoa Beach, Eau Gallie an Sebastian.		
SARASOTA: Bradenton, My		d Venice.	

** APPENDIX D **

FLORIDA TELEPHONE EXCHANGES AND EAS ROUTES (continued)

FT. MYERS:	Cape Coral, Ft. Myers Beach, North Cape Coral, North Ft. Myers, Pine Island, Lehigh Acres and Sanibel-Captiva Islands
NAPLES:	Marco Island and North Naples.
WEST PALM BEACH:	Boyston Beach and Jupiter.
POMPANO BEACH:	Boca Raton, Coral Springs, Deerfield Beach and Ft. Lauderdale
FT. LAUDERDALE:	Coral Springs, Deerfield Beach, Hollywood and Pompano Beach.
HOLLYWOOD:	Ft. Lauderdale and North Dade.
NORTH DADE:	Hollywood, Miami and Perrine.
MIAMI:	Homestead, North Dade and Perrine.

Pacwest Fiber.Net, LLC seeks authority to originate interexchange telecommunications services throughout the State of Florida pursuant to its proposed tariff attached hereto as Exhibit 4.

UTILITY OFFICIAL:

Jessie	3/26/99
Signature	Date
John Warta	
Name	
Manager	_

Title Pacwest Fiber.Net, LLC Tel: (360) 835-9170 Fax: (360) 835-8050

EXHIBIT 1

CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORITY TO TRANSACT BUSINESS AND FICTITIOUS NAME FILING



FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF STATE Katherine Harris Secretary of State

February 16, 1999

CT SYSTEM

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Qualification documents for PACEWEST FIBER.NET, LLC were filed on February 16, 1999, and assigned document number M99000000216. Please refer to this number whenever corresponding with this office.

Your limited liability company is now qualified and authorized to transact business in Florida as of the file date.

A limited liability company annual report will be due this office between January 1 and May 1 of the year following the calendar year of the file date. A Federal Employer Identification (FEI) number will be required before this report can be filed. If you do not already have an FEI number, please apply NOW with the Internal Revenue by calling 1-800-829-3676 and requesting form SS-4.

Please be aware if the limited liability company address changes, it is the responsibility of the corporation to notify this office.

Should you have any questions regarding this matter, please telephone (850) 487-6051, the Registration and Qualification Section.

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Letter Number: 899A00006891

APPLICATION BY FOREIGN LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY FOR AUTHORIZATION TO TRANSACT BUSINESS IN FLORIDA

IN COMPLIANCE WITH SECTION 608.503, FLORIDA STATUTES, THE FOLLOWING IS SUBMITTED TO REGISTER A FOREIGN LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY TO TRANSACT BUSINESS IN THE STATE OF FLORIDA:

1. Pacwest Fiber.Net, LLC
(Name of foreign limited liability company must end with the words "limited liability company" or "limited company" or their abbreviations "L.L.C." or "L.C." if not so contained in the name at present.)
2. Delaware 3. <u>Population</u> (Jurisdiction under the law of which foreign limited liability (FEI number, if applicable) company is organized)
4. November 30, 1998 5. Perpetual
(Date of Organization) (Duration: Year limited liability company will cease to exist or "perpetual")
6. February 1, 1999
(Date first transacted business in Florida. (See sections 608.501, 608.502 and 817.155, F.S.)
7. <u>1701 Broadway Street, Suite 358, Vancouver, WA</u> 98663
(Street address of principal office)
 List name, title, and business address of each managing member [MGRM] or manager [MGR] who will manage the foreign limited liability company in Florida: (attach additional page if necessary)

NAME & ADDRESS:	TITLE:	NAME & ADDRESS:	TITLE:	
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^{9.} Attached is an original certificate of existence, no more than 90 days old, duly authenticated by the Secretary of State or the proper official having custody of records in the state under the law of which it is organized. (A hotocopy is not acceptable. If the certificate is in a foreign language, a translation of the certificate under oath of the translator must be submitted.)

CERTIFICATE OF DESIGNATION OF REGISTERED AGENT/REGISTERED OFFICE

PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION 608.415 OR 608.507, FLORIDA STATUTES, THE UNDERSIGNED LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY SUBMITS THE FOLLOWING STATEMENT TO DESIGNATE A REGISTERED OFFICE AND REGISTERED AGENT IN THE STATE OF FLORIDA.

The name of the Limited Liability Company is: 1.

Pacwest Fiber.Net, LLC

The name and the Florida street address of the registered agent and office are: 2.

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Having been named as registered agent and to accept service of process for the above stated limited liability company at the place designated in this certificate, I hereby accept the appointment as registered agent and agree to act in this capacity. I further agree to comply with the provisions of all statutes relating to the proper and complete performance of my duties, and I am familiar with and accept the

obligations of my position as registered agent. C T CORPORATION SYSTEM (Signature)

Filing Fee: \$35 for Designation of Registered Agent

AFFIDAVIT OF MEMBERSHIP AND CONTRIBUTIONS OF FOREIGN LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY

Th	e undersigned member or authorized representative of a member of <u>Pacwest Fib</u>	er.Net, LLC
_	certifies:	
1)	the above named limited liability company has at least two members;	
2)	the total amount of cash contributed by the member(s) is	\$ <u>2,000,002</u> ;
	if any, the agreed value of property other than cash contributed by member(s) is (A description of the property is attached and made a part hereto.) and	\$;
	the total amount of cash and property contributed and anticipated to be contributed by member(s) is (This total includes amounts from 2 and 3 above.)	\$ <u>2,000,002</u> .

Signature of a member or authorized representative of a member. (In accordance with section 608.408(3), Florida Statutes, the execution of this affidavit constitutes an affirmation under the penalties of perjury that the facts stated herein are true.)

> John Warta Typed or printed name of signee

Filing Fee: \$250.00 for Application and Affidavit



I certify that the attached is a true and correct copy of the Application For Registration of Fictitious Name of PF.NET, registered with the Department of State on March 11, 1999, as shown by the records of this office.

The Registration Number of this Fictitious Name is G99070900138.



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Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of Florida at Tallahassee, the Capital, this the Eleventh day of March, 1999

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EXHIBIT 2

FINANCIAL QUALIFICATIONS

PF.Net has access to the financing and capital necessary to conduct the telecommunications operations as specified in this Application. PF.Net has been financed with \$2 million in initial capital contributions to fund operations during the start-up phase. PF.Net is a new and emerging company, and as such, does not yet have conventional financial statements. As discussed above, PF.Net will initially be reselling the services of other carriers while its facilities are being built. Furthermore, PF.Net has the exclusive right, valued at approximately \$25 million, to pursue and develop routes along Koch Industries, Inc.'s existing easements and rights of way. Many companies are held hostage by those who control the rights of way, making building along their routes expensive and very time intensive. As a result of PF.Net's exclusive arrangement and the unique locations of the easements and rights of way, PF.Net has a quick and relatively easy way into building its network. Additional resources to complete its networks and construct facilities will be accomplished using vendor financing. Moreover, the Applicant will partner with other carriers on developing a portion of its initial network and it is also anticipated that PF.Net will be able to sell 40% of the initial fibers to third-parties and recover 60% of the costs of building the network. It is expected that after selling off some of the fibers, the Applicant will have the lowest cost per fiber on the route. Once the Applicant has completed the initial build, the Applicant will move this traffic onto its own network and actively begin selling services on a wholesale basis.

MANAGERIAL AND TECHNICAL QUALIFICATIONS

Pacwest Fiber.Net, LLC ("PF.Net") was organized in 1998 as the entity which will carry out the 50%/50% joint venture of Pacwest Telecom, Inc. ("Pacwest Telecom") and Koch Ventures, Inc., a subsidiary of Koch Industries, Inc. ("Koch"). Pacwest Telecom is a holding company for the purpose of developing long haul networks with utilities, competitive access providers ("CAP"), competitive local exchange carriers ("CLEC"), and Internet related businesses. John Warta is the principal shareholder of Pacwest Telecom and has lead in its development.

Since 1987 Pacwest Telecom has been on the forefront of the telecommunications industry. In that time, Pacwest Telecom has shown its capability and expertise in a variety of ways. In 1987, Pacwest Telecom lead negotiations regarding some of the early long haul fiber optic builds by major carriers such as AT&T and MCI. In that year Pacwest Telecom also assisted Tennessee Valley Authority ("TVA") in establishing their fiber optic network with MCI. Pacwest Telecom also worked for and consulted with a number of other utilities, including;

Tennessee Valley Authority	Florida Power
Florida Progress	Louisville Gas and Electric
Public Service Company of Indiana	Montana Power Company
Washington Water & Power	Portland General Electric (Enron)
Idaho Power	Ontario Hydro Power Canada

In 1988, Pacwest Telecom recognized the potential to develop competitive networks utilizing utility assets in the local service arena. Pacwest Telecom went on to found Electric Lightwave, Inc. ("ELI"), and in the subsequent years after ELI, Pacwest Telecom was the lead developer of GST Telecommunications, Inc. ("GST"). In all, since being founded in 1987, Pacwest Telecom has been imminently involved in the start-up of what are now two publicly traded CLECs, and a multitude of long haul fiber optic routes.

Pacwest Telecom formed ELI which has build CAP and now CLEC networks in Portland, Seattle, Sacramento, and Phoenix. In addition ELI constructed and operates a 345 mile network between Phoenix and Las Vegas, and has numerous long haul leases with utilities. ELI is now a public company. John Warta lead and managed ELI's development as the President and Chief Executive Officer of the Company from its formation until June 1993.

After John Warta left ELI, in June 1993, Pacwest Telecom began the development of several other competitive local networks, in Southern California and Arizona, and acquired an existing operation in Hawaii, which was providing point-to-point bypass utilizing a microwave network. In 1994, Pacwest Telecom formed a joint venture with Greenstar Telecommunications, Inc., a Canadian public company now called GST Telecommunications, Inc. ("GST"). The two companies formed GST Telecom, with Pacwest Telecom owning 40%, and GST owning 60%. During 1995, GST acquired all of the equity of GST Telecom, and Pacwest Telecom became one of GST's largest shareholders with approximately 2 million shares.

At GST, John Warta was initially the President and Chief Executive Officer of GST Telecom. Then in March 1997, John Warta became Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of the parent company, GST. GST operates in 44 cities throughout California and the western United States, with 14 class 4/5 digital switches, 26 frame relay and ATM switches, and provides a full array of telecommunications services including, local dial tone, long distance, Internet, and enhanced data services, collocation, interconnection, cross connect, local and long haul private line services including SONET, DS3, OC3, OC12, OC48, and OC192 services. In just four years, GST has grown from \$6 million, to \$18.7 million, to \$35 million, and will report over \$170 million in revenue in 1998. The number of employees has grown from 4 to 1,150 in this time, and it is expected that it will hit EBITDA positive in 1999, as planned.

GST has also developed a long haul network throughout California connecting its local exchange networks in local markets, where it has swapped fibers in its network with others for greater on-net reach and sold fibers to other communications companies, thereby lowering GST's own cost of the fibers it uses. This fiber backbone is now being expanded all along the West Coast and will eventually connect Vancouver, British Columbia to San Diego, California with connectivity of the majority of GST cities in the west.

<u>EXHIBIT_4</u>

PROPOSED TARIFF

Pacwest Fiber.Net, LLC d/b/a PF.Net

REGULATIONS AND SCHEDULE OF INTRASTATE CHARGES GOVERNING THE PROVISION OF DEDICATED SERVICES

FOR CONNECTION TO PUBLIC AND PRIVATE

COMMUNICATIONS FACILITIES WITHIN

THE STATE OF FLORIDA

This tariff applies to the Dedicated Services furnished by Pacwest Fiber.Net, LLC d/b/a PF.Net between one or more points in the State of Florida. This tariff is on file with the Commission, and copies may be inspected, during normal business hours, at the Company's principal place of business, 1701 Broadway Street, Suite 358, Vancouver, WA 98663.

Issued:

Effective:

Issued By: John Warta Pacwest Fiber.Net, LLC d/b/a PF.Net P.O. Box 1088 Camas, Washington 98607
Effective:

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1. <u>EXPLANATION OF SYMBOLS, REFERENCE MARKS, AND ABBREVIATIONS OF</u> <u>TECHNICAL TERMS USED IN THIS TARIFF</u>

The following symbols shall be used in this Tariff for the purpose indicated below:

- D Delete or discontinue.
- Change resulting in an increase to a Customer's bill.
- M Moved from another tariff location.
- N New.
- R Change resulting in a reduction to a Customer's bill.
- T Change in text or regulation but no change to rate or charge.

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2. <u>DEFINITIONS</u>

Certain terms used generally throughout this tariff are described below.

Advance Payment

Part or all of a payment required before the start of service.

Access Services

The Company's interstate telephone services offered pursuant to this tariff.

Authorized User

A person, firm or corporation which is authorized by the customer or joint user to be connected to the service of the customer or joint user, respectively.

Commission

The Florida Public Service Commission.

Company or Pacwest

The term "Company" denotes Pacwest Fiber.Net, LLC d/b/a PF.Net

<u>Customer</u>

The person, firm or corporation which orders service and is responsible for the payment of charges and compliance with the Company's regulations.

Dedicated or Private Line

A facility or equipment system or subsystem set aside for the sole use of a specific customer.

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2. <u>DEFINITIONS</u> (Cont'd)

End User or User

Any person or entity that obtains the Company's services provided under this Tariff, regardless of whether such person or entity is so authorized by the Customer.

ICB or Individual Case Basis

A service arrangement in which the regulation, rates and charges are developed based on the specific circumstances of the case.

<u>LATA</u>

A Local Access and Transport Area established pursuant to the Modification of Final Judgment entered by the United States District Court for the District of Columbia in Civil Action No. 82-0192; or any other geographic area designated as a LATA in the NATIONAL EXCHANGE CARRIER ASSOCIATION, Inc. Tariff F.C.C. No. 4.

<u>Network</u>

Refers to the Company's facilities, equipment, and services provided under this Tariff.

<u>On-net</u>

Telecommunications services which are transported exclusively over facilities installed by the Company rather than the facilities of another carrier.

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Service Commencement Date

The first date on which the Company notifies the Customer that the requested service or facility is available for use, unless extended by the Customer's refusal to accept service which does not conform to standards set forth in the Service Order or this tariff, in which case the Service Commencement Date is the date of the Customer's acceptance. The Company and the Customer may mutually agree on a substitute Service Commencement Date. If the Company does not have an executed Service Order from a Customer, the Service Commencement Date will be the first date on which the service or facility was used by a Customer.

Service Order

The written request for dedicated services executed by the Customer and the Company in the format devised by the Company. The signing of a Service Order by the Customer and acceptance by the Company initiates the respective obligations of the parties as set forth therein and pursuant to this tariff, but the duration of the service is calculated from the Service Commencement Date. Should a Customer use the Company's dedicated service without an executed Service Order, the Company will then request the Customer to submit a Service Order.

Shared

A facility or equipment system or subsystem that can be used simultaneously by several Customers.

SONET or Synchronous Optical NETwork

A family of fiber-optic transmission rates from 51.84 Mbps to 13.22 Gbps. SONET is an optical interface standard that allows internetworking of transmission products from multiple vendors.

<u>User</u>

A customer, joint user, or any other person authorized by a customer to use service provided under this tariff.

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3. <u>APPLICATION OF TARIFF</u>

3.1 This Tariff applies to intrastate private line service supplied to Customers.

This Tariff applies only to the extent that services provided hereunder are used by a Customer for the purpose of originating or terminating intrastate communications. A communication is "intrastate" only if all points of origination and termination are located within the State of Florida.

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4. <u>REGULATIONS</u>

4.1 <u>Undertaking of the Company</u>

4.1.1. <u>Scope</u>

The Company undertakes to furnish dedicated services in accordance with the terms and conditions set forth in this Tariff.

4.1.2 Shortage of Facilities

All service is subject to the availability of suitable facilities. The Company reserves the right to limit the length of communications or to discontinue furnishing services when necessary because of the lack of transmission medium capacity or because of any causes beyond its control.

4.1.3 Terms and Conditions

- A) Service is provided on the basis of a minimum period of at least one month, 24-hours per day. For the purpose of computing charges in this Tariff, a month is considered to have 30 days.
- B) Customers may be required to enter into written Service Orders which shall contain or reference a specific description of the service ordered, the rates to be charged, the duration of the services, and the terms and conditions in this Tariff. Customers will also be required to execute any other documents as may be reasonably requested by the Company.
- C) In any action between the parties to enforce any provision of this Tariff, the prevailing party shall be entitled to recover its legal fees and court costs from the non-prevailing party in addition to other relief a court may award.

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- 4.1 <u>Undertaking of the Company</u> (Cont'd)
 - 4.1.3 <u>Terms and Conditions</u> (Cont'd)
 - D) This Tariff shall be interpreted and governed by the laws of the State of Florida regardless of its choice of laws provision.
 - 4.1.4 Limitations on Liability
 - A) Except as otherwise stated in this section, the liability of the Company for damages arising out of either: (1) the furnishing of its services, including but not limited to mistakes, omissions, interruptions, delays, or errors, or other defects, misrepresentations, or use of these services or (2) the failure to furnish its service, whether caused by acts or omission, shall be limited to the extension of allowances to the Customer for interruptions in service as set forth in this Tariff.
 - B) Except for the extension of allowances to the Customer for interruptions in service as set forth in this Tariff, the Company shall not be liable to a Customer or third party for any direct, indirect, special, incidental, reliance, consequential, exemplary or punitive damages, including, but not limited to, loss of revenue or profits, for any reason whatsoever, including, but not limited to, any act or omission, failure to perform, delay, interruption, failure to provide any service or any failure in or breakdown of facilities associated with the service.

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- 4.1 <u>Undertaking of the Company</u> (Cont'd)
 - 4.1.4 Limitations on Liability (Cont'd)
 - C) The liability of the Company for errors in billing that result in overpayment by the Customer shall be limited to a credit equal to the dollar amount erroneously billed or, in the event that payment has been made and service has been discontinued, to a refund of the amount erroneously billed.
 - D) The Company shall not be liable for any claims for loss or damages involving:
 - Any act or omission of: (a) the Customer, (b) any other entity furnishing service, equipment or facilities for use in conjunction with services or facilities provided by the Company; or (c) common carriers or warehousemen;
 - 2) Any delay or failure of performance or equipment due to causes beyond the Company's control, including but not limited to, acts of God, fires, floods, earthquakes, hurricanes, or other catastrophes; national emergencies, insurrections, riots, wars or other civil commotions; strikes, lockouts, work stoppages or other labor difficulties; criminal actions taken against the Company; unavailability, failure or malfunction of equipment or facilities provided by the Customer or third parties; and any law, order, regulation or other action of any governing authority or agency thereof;

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- 4.1 <u>Undertaking of the Company</u> (Cont'd)
 - 4.1.4 Limitations on Liability (Cont'd)
 - D) (Cont'd)
 - 3) Any unlawful or unauthorized use of the Company's facilities and services;
 - 4) Libel, slander, invasion of privacy or infringement of patents, trade secrets, or copyrights arising from or in connection with the transmission of communications by means of Companyprovided facilities or services; or by means of the combination of Company-provided facilities or services with Customer-provided facilities or services;
 - 5) Breach in the privacy or security of communications transmitted over the Company's facilities;
 - 6) Changes in any of the facilities, operations or procedures of the Company that render any equipment, facilities or services provided by the Customer obsolete, or require modification or alteration of such equipment, facilities or services, or otherwise affect their use or performance, except where reasonable notice is required by the Company and is not provided to the Customer, in which event the Company's liability is limited as set forth in this Tariff.
 - 7) Defacement of or damage to Customer premises resulting from the furnishing of services or equipment on such premises or the installation or removal thereof;

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- 4.1 <u>Undertaking of the Company</u> (Cont'd)
 - 4.1.4 Limitations on Liability (Cont'd)
 - D) (Cont'd)
 - 8) Injury to property or injury or death to persons, including claims for payments made under Workers' Compensation law or under any plan for employee disability or death benefits, arising out of, or caused by, any act or omission of the Customer, or the construction, installation, maintenance, presence, use or removal of the Customer's facilities or equipment connected, or to be connected to the Company's facilities;
 - Any intentional, wrongful act of a Company employee when such act is not within the scope of the employee's responsibilities for the Company and/or is not authorized by the Company;
 - 10) Any representations made by Company employees that do not comport, or that are inconsistent, with the provisions of this Tariff;
 - 11) Any noncompletion of calls due to network busy conditions;
 - 12) Any calls not actually attempted to be completed during any period that service is unavailable.

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- 4.1 <u>Undertaking of the Company</u> (Cont'd)
 - 4.1.4 Limitations on Liability (Cont'd)
 - E) The Company shall be indemnified, defended and held harmless by the Customer or end user from and against any and all claims, loss, demands, suits, expense, or other action or any liability whatsoever, including attorney fees, whether suffered, made, instituted, or asserted by the Customer or by any other party, for any personal injury to or death of any person or persons, and for any loss, damage or destruction of any property, including environmental contamination, whether owned by the Customer or by any other party, caused or claimed to have been caused directly or indirectly by the installation, operation, failure to operate, maintenance, presence, condition, location, use or removal of any Company or Customer equipment or facilities or service provided by the Company.
 - F) The Company does not guarantee nor make any warranty with respect to installations provided by it for use in an explosive atmosphere. The Company shall be indemnified, defended and held harmless by the Customer from and against any and all claims, loss, demands, suits, or other action, or any liability whatsoever, including attorney fees, whether suffered, made, instituted or asserted by the Customer or by any other party, for any personal injury to or death of any person or persons, and for any loss, damage or destruction of any property, including environmental contamination, whether owned by the Customer or by any other party, caused or claimed to have been caused directly or indirectly by the installation, operation, failure to operate, maintenance, presence, condition, location, use or removal of any equipment or facilities or the service.

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- 4.1 Undertaking of the Company (Cont'd)
 - 4.1.4 Limitations on Liability (Cont'd)
 - G) The Company assumes no responsibility for the availability or performance of any cable or satellite systems or related facilities under the control of other entities, or for other facilities provided by other entities used for service to the Customer, even if the Company has acted as the Customer's agent in arranging for such facilities or services. Such facilities are provided subject to such degree of protection or nonpreemptibility as may be provided by the other entities.
 - Except as otherwise stated in this Tariff, any claim of whatever nature against the Company shall be deemed conclusively to have been waived unless presented in writing to the Company within thirty (30) days after the date of the occurrence that gave rise to the claim.
 - I) THE COMPANY MAKES NO WARRANTIES OR REPRESENTATIONS, EXPRESS OR IMPLIED EITHER IN FACT OR BY OPERATION OF LAW, STATUTORY OR OTHERWISE, INCLUDING WARRANTIES OF MERCHANTABILITY OR FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR USE, EXCEPT THOSE EXPRESSLY SET FORTH HEREIN.

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- 4.1 <u>Undertaking of the Company</u> (Cont'd)
 - 4.1.5 Testing and Adjusting

Upon suitable notice, the Company may make such tests, adjustments, and inspections as may be necessary to maintain the Company's facilities in satisfactory operating condition. No interruption allowance will be credited to the customer for the period during which the Company makes such tests, adjustments, or inspections.

4.1.6 Provision of Equipment and Facilities

- A) Except as otherwise indicated, customer-provided station equipment at the Customer's premises for use in conjunction with this service shall be so constructed, maintained and operated as to work satisfactorily with the facilities of the Company.
- B) The Company shall not be responsible for the installation, operation or maintenance of any Customer-provided communications equipment. Where such equipment is connected to service furnished pursuant to this Tariff, the responsibility of the Company shall be limited to the furnishing of services under this Tariff and to the maintenance and operation of such services in the proper manner. Subject to this responsibility, the Company shall not be responsible for:
 - the through transmission of signals generated by Customerprovided equipment or for the quality of, or defects in, such transmission; or
 - 2) the reception of signals by Customer-provided equipment; or

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- 4.1 Undertaking of the Company (Cont'd)
 - 4.1.6 <u>Provision of Equipment and Facilities</u> (Cont'd)
 - B) (Cont'd)
 - 3) network control signaling where such signaling is performed by Customer-provided network control signaling equipment.

4.1.7 Special Construction

Subject to the arrangement of the Company and to all of the regulations contained in this Tariff, special construction of facilities may be undertaken on a reasonable efforts basis at the request of the customer. Special construction is that construction undertaken:

- (A) where facilities are not presently available, and there is no other requirement for the facilities so constructed;
- (B) of a type other than that which the Company would normally utilize in the furnishing of its services:
- (C) over a route other than that which the Company would normally utilize in the furnishing of its services;
- (D) in a quantity greater than that which the Company would normally construct;
- (E) on an expedited basis;

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- 4.1 <u>Undertaking of the Company</u> (Cont'd)
 - 4.1.7 Special Construction
 - (F) on a temporary basis until permanent facilities are available;
 - (G) involving abnormal costs; or
 - (H) in advance of its normal construction.

Special construction charges will be determined as described herein.

4.1.8 Ownership of Facilities

Title to all facilities provided in accordance with this Tariff remains in the Company, its agents, contractors or suppliers.

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4. <u>REGULATIONS</u> (Cont'd)

4.2 Prohibited Uses

- A) The services the Company offers shall not be used for any unlawful purpose or for any use for which the Customer has not obtained all required governmental approvals, authorizations, licenses, consents and permits.
- B) The Company may require applicants for service who intend to use the Company's offering for resale and/or for shared use to file a letter with the Company confirming that their use of the Company's offering complies with relevant laws and regulations, policies, orders, and decisions.
- C) The Company may require a Customer to immediately shut down its transmission if such transmission is causing interference to others.
- D) A Customer, joint user, or authorized user may not assign, or transfer in any manner, the service or any rights associated with the service without the written consent of the Company. The Company will permit a Customer to transfer its existing service to another entity if the existing Customer has paid all charges owed to the Company for regulated Access Services. Such a transfer will be treated as a disconnection of existing service and installation of new service, and non-recurring installation charges as stated in this Tariff will apply.

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4.3 <u>Obligations of the Customer</u>

- 4.3.1 Customer Premises Provisions
 - A) The Customer shall provide the personnel, power and space required to operate all facilities and associated equipment installed on the premises of the Customer.
 - B) The Customer shall be responsible for providing Company personnel access to premises of the Customer at any reasonable hour for the purpose of testing the facilities or equipment of the Company.

4.3.2 Liability of the Customer

- A) The Customer will be liable for damages to the facilities of the Company and for all incidental and consequential damages caused by the negligent or intentional acts or omissions of the Customer, its officers, employees, agents, invitees, or contractors where such acts or omissions are not the direct result of the Company's negligence or intentional misconduct.
- B) To the extent caused by any negligent or intentional act of the Customer as described in (A), preceding, the Customer shall indemnify, defend and hold harmless the Company from and against all claims, actions, damages, liabilities, costs and expenses, including reasonable attorneys' fees, for (1) any loss, destruction or damage to property of any third party, (2) the death of or injury to persons, including, but not limited to, employees or invitees of either party, and (3) any liability incurred by the Company to any third party pursuant to this or any other Tariff of the Company, or otherwise, for any interruption of, interference to, or other defect in any service provided by the Company to such third party.

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- 4.3 <u>Obligations of the Customer</u> (Cont'd)
 - 4.3.2 Liability of the Customer (Cont'd)
 - C) The Customer shall not assert any claim against any other customer or user of the Company's services for damages resulting in whole or in part from or arising in connection with the furnishing of service under this Tariff including but not limited to mistakes, omissions, interruptions, delays, errors or other defects or misrepresentations, whether or not such other customer or user contributed in any way to the occurrence of the damages, unless such damages were caused solely by the negligent or intentional act or omission of the other customer or user and not by any act or omission of the Company. Nothing in this Tariff is intended either to limit or to expand Customer's right to assert any claims against third parties for damages of any nature other than those described in the preceding sentence.

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4.4 <u>Customer Equipment and Channels</u>

- 4.4.1 Interconnection of Facilities
 - A) In order to protect the Company's facilities and personnel and the services furnished to other Customers by the Company from potentially harmful effects, the signals applied to the Company's service shall be such as not to cause damage to the facilities of the Company. Any special interface equipment necessary to achieve the compatibility between facilities of the Company and the channels or facilities of others shall be provided at the Customer's expense.

4.4.2 Inspections

A) The Company may, upon notification to the Customer, at a reasonable time, make such tests and inspections as may be necessary to determine that the requirements regarding the equipment and interconnections are being complied with in respect to the installation, operation and maintenance of Customer-provided equipment and in the wiring of the connection of Customer channels to Company-owned facilities.

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- 4.4 <u>Customer Equipment and Channels</u> (Cont'd)
 - 4.4.2 Inspections (Cont'd)
 - B) If the protective requirements in connections with Customer provided equipment are not being complied with, the Company may take such action as necessary to protect its facilities and personnel and will promptly notify the Customer by registered mail in writing of the need for protective action. In the event that the Customer fails to advise the Company within 10 days after such notice is received or within the time specified in the notice that corrective action has been taken, the Company may take whatever additional action is deemed necessary, including canceling service, to protect its facilities and personnel from harm. The Company will upon request 24 hours in advance provide Customer with a statement of technical parameters that the Customer's equipment must meet.
 - 4.4.3 Station Equipment
 - A) Customer-provided terminal equipment on the premises of the Customer or other authorized user, the operating personnel there, and the electric power consumed by such equipment shall be provided by and maintained at the expense of the Customer, authorized user, or joint user.

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- 4.4 <u>Customer Equipment and Channels</u> (Cont'd)
 - 4.4.3 Station Equipment (Cont'd)
 - B) The Customer or other authorized user is responsible for ensuring that Customer-provided equipment connected to Company equipment and facilities is compatible with such equipment and facilities. The magnitude and character of the voltages and currents impressed on Company-provided equipment and wiring by the connection, operation, or maintenance of such equipment and wiring shall be such as not to cause damage to the Company-provided equipment and wiring or injury to the Company's employees or to other persons. Any additional protective equipment required to prevent such damage or injury shall be provided by the Company at the customer's expense.

4.4.4 Interconnection Provisions

Facilities furnished under this Tariff may be connected to Customer-provided terminal equipment in accordance with the provisions of this Tariff.

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4.5 <u>Customer Deposits and Advance Payments</u>

4.5.1 Advance Payments

To safeguard its interests, the Company may require a Customer to make an Advance Payment before services and facilities are furnished. The Advance Payment will not exceed an amount up to two months of estimated monthly usage charges. In addition, where special construction is involved, the Advance Payment may also include an amount equal to the estimated non-recurring charges for the special construction and recurring charges (if any) for a period to be set between the Company and the Customer. The Advance Payment will be credited to the Customer's initial bill. An advance payment may be required in addition to a deposit.

4.5.2 Deposits

- A) To safeguard its interests, the Company may require the Customer to make a deposit to be held as a guarantee for the payment of charges. A deposit does not relieve the Customer of the responsibility for the prompt payment of bills on presentation. The deposit will not exceed an amount equal to:
 - three months' charges for a service or facility which has a minimum payment period of one month; or
 - 2) the charges that would apply for the minimum payment period for a service or facility which has a minimum payment period of more than one month; except that the deposit may include an additional amount in the event that a termination charge is applicable.

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4. <u>REGULATIONS</u> (Cont'd)

- 4.5 <u>Customer Deposits and Advance Payments</u> (Cont'd)
 - 4.5.2 Deposits (Cont'd)
 - B) A deposit may be required in addition to an Advance Payment.
 - C) When a service or facility is discontinued, the amount of a deposit, if any, will be applied to the Customer's account and any credit balance remaining will be refunded. Before the service or facility is discontinued, the Company may, at its option, return the deposit or credit it to the Customer's account. If the amount of the deposit is insufficient to cover the balance due to the Customer's account, the Company retains the right to collect any amounts owing after the deposit has been applied plus any costs related to the collection of any remaining balance.
 - D) Deposits held will accrue interest at a rate specified by the Company without deductions for any taxes on such deposits. Interest will not accrue on any deposit after the date on which reasonable effort has been made to return it to the Customer.

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4.6 <u>Payment Arrangements</u>

4.6.1 Payment for Service

The Customer is responsible for the payment of all charges for facilities and services furnished by the Company to the Customer.

A) <u>Taxes</u>

The Customer is responsible for payment of any sales, use, gross receipts, excise, access or other local, state and federal taxes, charges or surcharges (however, designated) (excluding taxes on the Company's net income) imposed on or based upon the provision, sale or use of Network Services.

4.6.2 Billing and Collection of Charges

The Customer is responsible for payment of all charges incurred by the Customer or other users for services and facilities furnished to the Customer by the Company.

- A) Non-recurring charges are due and payable within 30 days after the date of the invoice.
- B) The Company shall present invoices for Recurring Charges monthly to the Customer, in advance of the month in which service is provided, and Recurring Charges shall be due and payable within 30 days after the date of the invoice. When billing is based upon Customer usage, usage charges will be billed monthly for the preceding billing period.

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- 4.6 <u>Payment Arrangements</u> (Cont'd)
 - 4.6.2 <u>Billing and Collection of Charges</u> (Cont'd)
 - C) When service does not begin on the first day of the month, or end on the last day of the month, the charge for the fraction of the month in which service was furnished will be calculated on a pro rata basis. For this purpose, every month is considered to have 30 days.
 - D) Billing of the Customer by the Company will begin on the Service Commencement Date, which is the day on which the Company notifies the Customer that the service or facility is available for use, except that the Service Commencement Date may be postponed by mutual agreement of the parties, or if the service or facility does not conform to standards set forth in this Tariff or the Service Order. Billing accrues through and includes the day that the service, circuit, arrangement or component is discontinued.

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- 4.6 <u>Payment Arrangements</u> (Cont'd)
 - 4.6.2 Billing and Collection of Charges (Cont'd)
 - E) If any portion of the payment is received by the Company after the date due, or if any portion of the payment is received by the Company in funds which are not immediately available upon presentment, then a late payment penalty shall be due to the Company. The late payment penalty shall be the portion of the payment not received by the date due, multiplied by a late factor. The late factor shall be the lesser of:
 - 1) a rate of 1.5 percent per month; or
 - 2) the highest interest rate which may be applied under state law for commercial transactions.
 - F) The Customer will be assessed a charge of twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) for each check submitted by the Customer to the Company which a financial institution refuses to honor.
 - G) If service is disconnected by the Company in accordance with Section 4.6.4 following and later reinstalled, service will be subject to all applicable installation charges. If service is suspended by the Company and later restored, service will be subject to all applicable restoration charges.

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- 4.6 <u>Payment Arrangements</u> (Cont'd)
 - 4.6.3 Billing Disputes
 - A) <u>General</u>

All bills are presumed accurate, and shall be binding on the Customer unless notice of the disputed charge(s) is received by the Company within 90 days (commencing 5 days after such bills have been mailed or otherwise rendered per the Company's normal course of business). For the purposes of this section, "notice" is defined as written notice to the Company, containing sufficient documentation to investigate the dispute, including the account number under which the bill has been rendered, the date of the bill, and the specific items on the bill being disputed.

B) Late Payment Charge

- 1) The undisputed portions of the bill must be paid by the payment due date to avoid assessment of a late payment charge on the undisputed amount as provided in this Tariff.
- 2) In the event that a billing dispute is resolved by the Company in favor of the Customer, any disputed amount withheld pending resolution of the billing dispute shall not be subject to the late payment charge.
- 3) In the event that a billing dispute is resolved in favor of the Company, the Customer shall pay the late payment charge.

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- 4.6 Payment Arrangements (Cont'd)
 - 4.6.3 Billing Disputes (Cont'd)
 - C) Adjustments or Refunds to the Customer
 - In the event that the Company resolves the billing dispute in favor of a Customer who has withheld payment of the disputed amount pending resolution of the disputed bill, the Company will credit the Customer's account for the disputed amount in the billing period following the resolution of the dispute.
 - 2) In the event that the Company resolves the billing dispute in favor of a Customer who has paid the total amount of the disputed bill, the Company will credit the Customer's account for any overpayment by the Customer in the billing period following the resolution of the dispute.
 - 3) In the event that the Company resolves the billing dispute in favor of a Customer who has paid the total amount of the disputed bill but canceled the service, the Company will issue a refund of any overpayment by the Customer.
 - 4) All adjustments or refunds provided by the Company to the Customer at the Customer's request, or provided by the Company to the Customer by way of compromise of a billing dispute, and which are accepted by the Customer, are final and constitute full satisfaction, settlement, and/or compromise of all of the Customer's claims for the billing period for which the adjustment or refund was issued.

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- 4.6 <u>Payment Arrangements</u> (Cont'd)
 - 4.6.3 Billing Disputes (Cont'd)
 - D) <u>Unresolved Billing Disputes</u>

In the case of a billing dispute between the Customer and the Company for service furnished to the Customer, which cannot be settled to the mutual satisfaction of the Customer and the Company, the Customer has up to 90 days (commencing 5 days after such bills have been mailed or otherwise rendered per the Company's normal course of business) to take the following course of action.

- 1) First, the Customer may request and the Company will provide an in-depth review of the disputed amount.
- 2) Second, if after investigation and review by the Company, a disagreement remains as to the disputed amount, the Customer may file an appropriate complaint with:

Florida Public Service Commission 2540 Shumard Oak Blvd. Tallashassee, FL 32399-0850

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4.6 Payment Arrangements (Cont'd)

4.6.4 Discontinuance of Service for Cause

- A) Upon nonpayment of any amounts owing to the Company, the Company may, by giving 30 days prior written notice to the Customer and the Commission, discontinue or suspend service without incurring any liability.
- B) Upon violation of any of the other material terms or conditions for furnishing service the Company may, by giving 30 days prior notice in writing to the Customer and the Commission, discontinue or suspend service without incurring any liability if such violation continues during that period.
- C) Upon condemnation of any material portion of the facilities used by the Company to provide service to a Customer or if a casualty renders all or any material portion of such facilities inoperable beyond feasible repair, the Company, by notice to the Customer, may discontinue or suspend service without incurring any liability.
- D) Upon the Customer's insolvency, assignment for the benefit of creditors, filing for bankruptcy or reorganization, or failing to discharge an involuntary petition within the time permitted by law, the Company may immediately discontinue or suspend service without incurring any liability.
- E) Upon any governmental prohibition or required alteration of the services to be provided or any violation of an applicable law or regulation, the Company may immediately discontinue service without incurring any liability.

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- 4.6 <u>Payment Arrangements</u> (Cont'd)
 - 4.6.4 Discontinuance of Service for Cause (Cont'd)
 - F) In the event of fraudulent use of the Company's Network, the Company may without notice suspend or discontinue service. The Customer will be liable for all related costs. The Customer will also be responsible for payment of any reconnection charges.
 - G) Upon the Company's discontinuance of service to the Customer under this section, the Company, in addition to all other remedies that may be available to the Company at law or in equity or under any other provision of this Tariff, may declare all future monthly and other charges which would have been payable by the Customer during the remainder of the term for which such services would have otherwise been provided to the Customer to be immediately due and payable (discounted to present value at six percent).
 - 4.6.5 Notice to Company for Cancellation of Service

Customers desiring to terminate service shall provide Company thirty (30) days written notice of desire to terminate service.

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- 4.6 Payment Arrangements (Cont'd)
 - 4.6.6 Customer Overpayment

The Company will pay interest on a Customer overpayment. Customer overpayment shall mean a payment to the Company in excess of the correct charges for service when caused by erroneous billing by the Company. The rate of interest shall be the unadjusted interest rate paid on Customer deposits or the late payment penalty rate, whichever is greater. Interest shall be paid from the date when the Customer overpayment was made, adjusted for any changes in the deposit interest rate or late payment penalty rate, and compounded monthly, until the date when the overpayment is refunded. No interest shall be paid on Customer overpayments that are refunded within thirty (30) days after such overpayment is received by the Company.

4.6.7 Cancellation of Application for Service

- (A) The Customer may cancel an application for service prior to installation of the equipment provided that the Customer immediately pay the Company any out of pocket expenses incurred by the Company plus a cancellation fee of two times the applicable monthly recurring service charge.
- (B) Out of pocket expenses include but are not limited to the cost of the equipment, facilities, and material, the cost of installation, engineering, labor, and supervision, general and administrative expense, other disbursements, depreciation, maintenance, taxes, provision for return on investment, and any other costs associated with the special construction or arrangements.

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- 4.7 <u>Allowances for Interruptions in Service</u>
 - 4.7.1 <u>General</u>
 - A) A credit allowance will be given when service is interrupted, except as specified below. A service is interrupted when it becomes inoperative to the Customer, e.g., the Customer is unable to transmit or receive, because of a failure of a component furnished by the Company under this Tariff.
 - B) An interruption period begins when the Customer reports a service, facility or circuit to be inoperative and, if necessary, releases it for testing and repair. An interruption period ends when the service, facility or circuit is operative.
 - C) If the Customer reports a service, facility or circuit to be interrupted but declines to release it for testing and repair, the service, facility or circuit is considered to be impaired but not interrupted. No credit allowances will be made for a service, facility or circuit considered by the Company to be impaired.

4.7.2 Limitations of Allowances

No credit allowance will be made for any interruption in service:

- A) Due to the negligence of or noncompliance with the provisions of this Tariff by any person or entity other than the Company, including but not limited to the Customer or other common carriers connected to the service of the Company;
- B) Due to the failure of power, equipment, systems, connections or services not provided by the Company;

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4. <u>REGULATIONS</u> (Cont'd)

- 4.7 <u>Allowances for Interruptions in Service</u> (Cont'd)
 - 4.7.2 Limitations of Allowances (Cont'd)
 - C) Due to circumstances or causes beyond the control of the Company;
 - D) During any period in which the Company is not given full and free access to its facilities and equipment for the purposes of investigating and correcting interruptions;
 - E) During any period in which the Customer continues to use the service on an impaired basis;
 - F) During any period when the Customer has released service to the Company for maintenance purposes or for implementation of a Customer order for a change in service arrangements;
 - G) That occurs or continues due to the Customer's failure to authorize replacement of any element of special construction; and
 - H) That was not reported to the Company within thirty (30) days of the date that service was affected.

4.7.3 Use of Another Means of Communications

If the Customer elects to use another means of communications during the period of interruption, the Customer must pay the charges for the alternative service used.

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- 4.7 <u>Allowances for Interruptions in Service</u> (Cont'd)
 - 4.7.4 Application of Credits for Interruptions in Service
 - A) Credits for interruptions in service that is provided and billed on a flat rate basis for a minimum period of at least one month, beginning on the date that billing becomes effective, shall in no event exceed an amount equivalent to the proportionate charge to the Customer for the period of service during which the event that gave rise to the claim for a credit occurred. A credit allowance is applied on a pro rata basis against the rates specified hereunder and is dependent upon the length of the interruption. Only those facilities on the interrupted portion of the circuit will receive a credit.
 - B) For calculating credit allowances, every month is considered to have thirty (30) days.
 - C) A credit allowance will be given for interruptions in service of 15 minutes or more. Two or more interruptions of 15 minutes or more during any one 24-hour period shall be considered as one interruption.

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- 4.7 <u>Allowances for Interruptions in Service</u> (Cont'd)
 - 4.7.4 Application of Credits for Interruptions in Service (Cont'd)

D) Interruptions of 24 Hours or Less

Length of Interruption	Interruption Period <u>To Be Credited</u>	
Less than 15 minutes	None	
15 minutes up to but not including 3 hours	1/10 Day	
3 hours up to but not including 6 hours	1/5 Day	
6 hours up to but not including 9 hours	2/5 Day	
9 hours up to but not including 12 hours	3/5 Day	
12 hours up to but not including 15 hours	4/5 Day	
15 hours up to but not including 24 hours	One Day	

- E) <u>Continuous Interruption Over 24 Hours and Less Than 72 Hours</u>. Interruptions over 24 hours and less than 72 hours will be credited 1/5 day for each three-hour period or fraction thereof that occurs following the expiration of the initial 24-hour period. No more than one full day's credit will be allowed for any period of 24 hours.
- F) <u>Interruptions Over 72 Hours</u>. Interruptions over 72 hours will be credited 2 days for each full 24-hour period that occurs following the expiration of the initial 72-hour period. No more than 30 days credit will be allowed for any one-month period.

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4.7.5 Cancellation For Service Interruption

Cancellation or termination for service interruption is permitted only if any circuit experiences a single continuous outage of 8 hours or more or cumulative service credits equaling 16 hours in a continuous 12-month period. The right to cancel service under this provision applies only to the single circuit which has been subject to the outage or cumulative service credits.

4.7.6 Cancellation of Service/Termination Liability

If a Customer cancels a Service Order or terminates services before the completion of the term for any reason whatsoever other than a service interruption, Customer agrees to pay to Company termination liability charges, which are defined below. These charges shall become due and owing as of the effective date of the cancellation or termination and be payable within the period set forth in this Tariff.

4.7.7 <u>Termination Liability</u>

Customer's termination liability for cancellation of service shall be equal to:

1) all unpaid Non-Recurring charges reasonably expended by Company to establish service to Customer, plus;

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- 4.7 <u>Allowances for Interruptions in Service</u> (Cont'd)
 - 4.7.7 <u>Termination Liability</u> (Cont'd)
 - any disconnection, early cancellation or termination charges reasonably incurred and paid to third parties by Company on behalf of Customer, plus;
 - all Recurring Charges specified in the applicable Service Order for the balance of the then current term discounted at the prime rate announced in the <u>Wall Street Journal</u> on the third business day following the date of cancellation;
 - 4) minus a reasonable allowance for costs avoided by the Company as a direct result of Customer's cancellation.

4.8 Customer Liability for Unauthorized Use of the Network

- 4.8.1 Unauthorized Use of the Network
 - A) Unauthorized use of the Network occurs when: (1) a person or entity that does not have actual, apparent, or implied authority to use the Network, obtains the Company's services provided under this Tariff; or (2) a person or entity that otherwise has actual, apparent, or implied authority to use the Network, makes fraudulent use of the Network to obtain the Company's services provided under this Tariff, or uses specific services that are not authorized.

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- 4.8 <u>Customer Liability for Unauthorized Use of the Network</u> (Cont'd)
 - 4.8.1 Unauthorized Use of the Network (Cont'd)
 - B) The following activities constitute fraudulent use:
 - Using the Network to transmit a message, locate a person, or otherwise give or obtain information, without payment for the service;
 - 2) Using or attempting to use the Network with the intent to avoid payment, either in whole or part, of any of the Company's tariffed charges by either rearranging, tampering with, or making connections not authorized by this Tariff to any service components used to furnish the Company's services or using fraudulent means or devices, tricks, schemes, false or invalid numbers, false credit devices or electronic devices;
 - Using fraudulent means or devices, tricks, schemes, false or invalid numbers, false credit devices or electronic devices to defraud or mislead callers.
 - C) Customers are advised that use of telecommunications equipment and services, including that provided under this Tariff, carries a risk of various forms of telecommunications fraud (including, but not limited to, toll and PBX fraud perpetrated by Users who gain access to a Customer's facilities, account numbers, security or authorization codes, etc.). Customers should take all necessary steps to restrict access to their facilities, including the equipment and services provided hereunder, and to detect and prevent unauthorized use of the equipment and services provided by the Company under this Tariff.

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- 4.8 <u>Customer Liability for Unauthorized Use of the Network</u> (Cont'd)
 - 4.8.2 Liability for Unauthorized Use
 - A) Except as provided for elsewhere in this Tariff, the Customer is responsible for payment of all charges for services provided under this Tariff furnished to the Customer or User. This responsibility is not changed due to any use, misuse, or abuse of the Customer's service or Customer-provided equipment by Users or other third parties, the Customer's employees, or the public.
 - B) The Customer is liable for all costs incurred as a result of unauthorized use of the Network, including service charges and any direct, indirect, special, incidental, reliance, consequential, exemplary or punitive charges.
 - C) The Customer is responsible for payment of any charges related to the suspension and/or termination of service, and any charges for reconnection of service, incurred as a result of unauthorized use of the Network.

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5. <u>SERVICE DESCRIPTIONS AND TECHNICAL STANDARDS</u>

5.1 <u>Description of Service</u>

The Company's services are provided over a point-to-point service configuration. This private line service permits the Customer to utilize a portion of the Company's bandwidth in increments described below. The Company's service is offered only where facilities permit. These services will be offered initially on an ICB. Terms of ICB contracts will be made available to the Commission upon request on a proprietary basis.

- A. <u>DS-0</u> Digital Service, level 0. It is 64 kbps, the standard speed for digitizing voice frequency transmission.
- B. <u>DŞ-1</u> Digital Service, level 1, is a channel for the transmission of 1.544 Mbps.
- C. <u>DS-3</u> Digital Service, level 3, is a channel for the transmission of 44.736 Mbps.
- D. <u>OC-3</u> Optical Carrier, level 3, is a SONET optical channel of 155.52 Mbps.
- E. <u>OC-12</u> Optical Carrier, level 12, is a SONET optical channel of 622.08 Mbps.
- F. <u>OC-48</u> Optical Carrier, level 48, is a SONET optical channel of 2.4 Gbps.
- G. <u>OC-192</u> Optical Carrier, level 192, is a SONET optical channel of 9.6 Gbps.

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5.2 Distance-Based Charges

Where a rate element is based upon distance, the rate computation is based upon the airline distance between the originating and terminating points of the service, as determined by the vertical and horizontal coordinates associated with the exchange (the area code and three digit central office code) associated with the originating and terminating telephone numbers. If the Customer obtains access to the Company's network by a dedicated access circuit, that circuit will be assigned an exchange for rating purposes based upon the Customer's main telephone number at the location where the dedicated access circuit terminates. The vertical and horizontal coordinates for each exchange and the airline distance between them will be determined according to the V&H Coordinate table as used on an industry wide basis and incorporated herein by reference.

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- 5.3 <u>Specialized Pricing Arrangements Individual Case Basis ("ICB")</u>
 - A. In lieu of the rates otherwise set forth in this tariff, rates and charges, including minimum usage, installation, special construction and recurring charges for Carrier's services may be established at negotiated rates on an ICB, taking into account the nature of the facilities and services, the costs of construction and operation, the volume of traffic, the length of service commitment by the Customer, and use of facilities by other customers. Such arrangements shall be considered Special Pricing Arrangements, and specialized rates or charges will be made available to similarly situated customers on a non-discriminatory basis. Terms of Special Pricing Arrangements will be made available to the Commission upon request on a proprietary basis. All such services will be subject to the terms and conditions of service identified in this Tariff.
 - B. In addition to any rate or charge established by the Carrier, the Customer will also be responsible for any recurring or non-recurring charges imposed by local exchange telephone companies incurred by or on behalf of the Customer in establishing and maintaining service. Such charges may be billed by the Carrier or directly by the local exchange company, at the Carrier's option.

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5. <u>SERVICE DESCRIPTIONS AND TECHNICAL STANDARDS</u> (Cont'd)

5.4 Back Billing

Carrier shall be entitled to revise bills previously rendered to adjust for previously rendered unbilled service, or adjust upward a bill previously rendered, assuming that the customer was aware of the unbilled services during the period the services were unbilled, for a period of six years after the service was rendered.

5.5 <u>Taxes</u>

a) <u>Sales, Use and Excise Taxes</u>

In addition to all recurring, non-recurring, usage or special charges, Customer shall also be responsible for and shall pay all applicable federal, state and local sales, use and excise taxes.

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5.7 <u>Temporary Promotional Programs</u>

The Carrier may establish temporary promotional programs, wherein it may waive or reduce recurring or non-recurring charges, to introduce a present or potential Customer to a service not previously received by the Customer. The terms of promotional programs will be filled with the Commission subject to the requirements of applicable law, except if the promotion is to reduce rates.

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6. RATES AND CHARGES

- 6.1 <u>Rates</u>
 - a) <u>General Regulations</u>
 - (i) Except as specifically indicated, the rates set forth in this section are for private line services where the originating and terminating points are on Carrier's existing network. In all other situations, special construction charges may apply in order to connect locations to Carrier's network.
 - (ii) Services may be provided using one, or a combination of rate elements as outlined in this tariff.
 - (iii) Unless otherwise indicated, rates apply uniformly in all areas served by Carrier.
 - b) <u>Charges for Changes to Pending Orders, Service Rearrangements and</u> <u>Expedite Charges</u>

From time to time, customers may request changes to pending orders, rearrangements to existing service, and order completion to standard intervals. In these cases, the Customer will be required to reimburse Carrier for the increased expenses incurred on an individual case basis ("ICB").

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6.2 <u>Types of Rates and Charges</u>

There are two types of rates and charges. These are recurring rates and nonrecurring rates. The rates and charges are described below.

A) <u>Monthly-Recurring Rates</u>

Monthly-Recurring rates are flat recurring rates that apply each month or fraction thereof that a private line service is provided. For billing purposes, each month is considered to have 30 days.

B) <u>Nonrecurring Charges</u>

Nonrecurring charges are one-time charges that apply for specific work activity (i.e., installation or change to an existing service). The types of nonrecurring charges that apply for private line service are: installation of services, installation of optional features and functions, and service rearrangements.

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6.3 Point-to-Point Service

Bandwidth	Monthly-Recurring	Non-Recurring	
DS-0	ICB	ICB	
DS-1	ICB	ICB	
DS-3	ICB	ICB	
OC-3	ICB	ICB	
OC-12	ICB	ICB	
OC-48	ICB	ICB	
OC-192	ICB	ICB	

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Dear Ms. Bayó:

Enclosed for filing on behalf of Pacwest Fiber.Net, LLC ("PF.Net") please find an original and six (6) copies of PF.Net's above-referenced application. Also enclosed is a check in the amount of \$250.00 to cover the application filing fee.

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