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Ms. Nancy Pruitt
Division of Telecommunications
Florida Public Service Commission
2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard
Gerard Gunter Building
Tallahassee, FL 32399

RE: Application of Claricom Networks, Inc. d/b/a Staples Communications - Networks for Authority to Operate as a Reseller of Local Exchange Telecommunications Services Within the State of Florida (Docket No. 991661-TX)

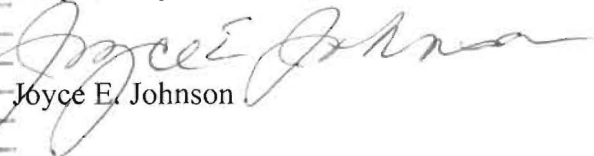
Dear Ms. Pruitt:

As requested, I am forwarding an additional original copy of the Applicant Acknowledgment Statement and the Affidavit, Appendix C, for the above referenced Application. The Price List associated with the Application will be sent, via overnight delivery, by Valerie Furman of Dickstein Shapiro Morin & Oshinsky under separate cover.

Please acknowledge receipt of this filing by date stamping the enclosed copy of this letter and returning it in the enclosed overnight envelope.

Please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned if you have any questions or concerns regarding this filing.

Respectfully submitted,


Joyce E. Johnson

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By my signature below, I, the undersigned officer, attest to the accuracy of the information contained in this application and attached documents and that the applicant has the technical expertise, managerial ability, and financial capability to provide alternative local exchange company service in the State of Florida. I have read the foregoing and declare that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the information is true and correct. I attest that I have the authority to sign on behalf of my company and agree to comply, now and in the future, with all applicable Commission rules and orders.

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."

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Joyce E. Johnson
Signature

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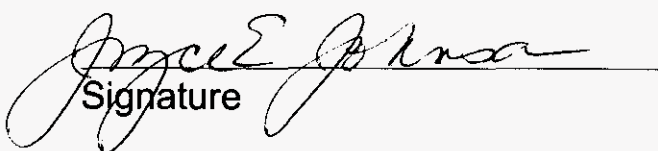
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For Claricom Networks, Inc. d/b/a Staples Communications - Networks

**** APPLICANT ACKNOWLEDGMENT STATEMENT ****

1. **REGULATORY ASSESSMENT FEE:** I understand that all telephone companies must pay a regulatory assessment fee in the amount of .15 of one percent of 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:** I understand that a non-refundable application fee of \$250.00 must be submitted with the application.

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- A - CERTIFICATE SALE, TRANSFER, OR ASSIGNMENT STATEMENT
- B - INTRASTATE NETWORK
- C - AFFIDAVIT