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Re: Application of Centennial Florida Switch Corp. to Provide Alternative Local Exchange Service

Dear Ms. Bayo:

Pursuant to Florida Administrative Code Ch. 25-4.004, please find enclosed an original, six (6) copies, and one (1) Stamp and Return copy of Centennial Florida Switch Corp.'s complete application for authority to provide Alternative Local Exchange Services within the state of Florida. Also enclosed is the \$250.00 filing fee.

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Please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned with any questions.

Sincerely,

Rachael A. Galoob

Enclosures

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APPLICATION

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1.	This is	an	application	for		(check one):
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- (X) Original certificate (new company).
- () Approval of transfer of existing certificate: <u>Example</u>, a non-certificated company purchases an existing company and desires to retain the original certificate of authority.
- () Approval of assignment of existing certificate: <u>Example</u>, a certificated company purchases an existing company and desires to retain the certificate of authority of that company.
- () Approval of transfer of control: <u>Example</u>, a company purchases 51% of a certificated company. The Commission must approve the new controlling entity.
- 2. Name of company:

Centennial Florida Switch Corp.

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

Centennial Florida Switch Corp.

4. Official mailing address (including street name & number, post office box, city, state, zip code):

Centennial Florida Switch Corp. 1305 Campus Parkway Neptune, NJ 07753

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

United Corporate Services, Inc. 9200 South Dadeland Blvd., Suite 15 Miami, FL 33156

6.	Structure	e of organization:		
	() Forei () Gene	ridual (X) Corporation Ign Corporation () Foreign Partnership Ign Partnership () Limited Partnership Ign Limited Liability Company		
7.	. <u>If individual,</u> provide:			
	Name:	N/A		
	Title:			
	Address:_			
		/Zip:		
	Telephone	e No.:Fax No.:		
	Internet E	-Mail Address:		
	Internet W	Vebsite Address:		
8.	3. <u>If incorporated in Florida</u> , provide proof of authority to operate Florida:			
	(a)	The Florida Secretary of State corporate registration number:		
		N/A		
9.	If foreign	corporation, provide proof of authority to operate in Florida:		
	(a)	The Florida Secretary of State corporate registration number:		
		F00000001344		
10.		ictitious name-d/b/a, provide proof of compliance with fictitious name Chapter 856.09, FS) to operate in Florida:		
	(a)	The Florida Secretary of State fictitious name registration number:		

11. <u>If a limit</u>	ed liability partnership, provide proof of registration to operate in
Florida:	<u>.</u>
(a)	The Florida Secretary of State registration number:
	<u>N/A</u>
_	nership, provide name, title and address of all partners and a copy of nership agreement:
Name:	N/A
Title:	
Address:	
City/State	e/Zip:
Telephon	e No.: Fax No.:
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	gn limited partnership, provide proof of compliance with the foreign artnership statute (Chapter 620.169, FS), if applicable: The Florida registration number: N/A
14. Provide l	F.E.I. Number (if applicable): 22-3709784
15. Indicate	if any of the officers, directors, or any of the ten largest stockholders eviously been:
(a)	adjudged bankrupt, mentally incompetent, or found guilty of any felony or of any crime, or whether such actions may result from pending proceedings. Provide explanation.
	NO

(t	an 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.
	<u>NO</u>
16. Who	will serve as liaison to the Commission with regard to the following?
(8	The application:
Name	e: Karlyn D. Stanley/Rachael A. Galoob of Cole, Raywid & Braverman, L.L.P.
Title	Counsel for Centennial Communications Corp.
Addr	ess: 1919 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W. Suite 200
City/	State/Zip: Washington, D.C. 20006
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Inter	net E-Mail Address: kstanley@crblaw.com; ragaloob@crblaw.com
Inter	net Website Address: www.crblaw.com
(1	Official point of contact for the ongoing operations of the company:
Nam	e: Edith Rosario
Title	Carrier Relations Director, Centennial Puerto Rico, Inc.
Addr	ess: Las Vistas Professional Center #3, Las Cumbres Avenue #300
City/	State/Zip: Rio Piedras, Puerto Rico, 00926
Telej	phone No.: (787) 717-9644 Fax No.: (787) 717-9696
Inter	net E-Mail Address: erosario@centennialpr.com
Inter	net Website Address: www.centennialcom.com

(c) Con	nplaints/Inquires from customers:			
Name: Lourdes	Name: Lourdes Lucas			
Title: Vice Pres	Title: Vice President of Legal Affairs, Centennial de Puerto Rico			
Address: <u>1415</u>	Address: 1415 Wyckoff Road			
City/State/Zip:	Farmingdale, NJ 07727			
Telephone No.	(732) 751-8600 ext. 229 Fax No.: (732) 751-8609			
Internet E-Mail Address: Illucas@centennialcorp.com				
	e Address: www.centennialcom.com			
17. List the states	in which the applicant:			
(a) has	operated as an alternative local exchange company.			
Centennial has	not operated as an alternative local exchange company in any state.			
• •	applications pending to be certificated as an alternative local exchange			
Centennial doe local exchange	s not have any applications pending to be certificated as an alternative company.			
(c) is ce	ertificated to operate as an alternative local exchange company.			
Centennial is no any other state.	ot certificated to operate as an alternative local exchange company in			
` '	been denied authority to operate as an alternative local exchange pany and the circumstances involved.			
Centennial has any state.	not been denied authority to provide telecommunications services in			

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

Centennial has not had any regulatory penalties imposed upon it for violations of telecommunications statutes.

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

Centennial has not been involved in civil court proceedings with an interexhange carrier, local exchange company or other telecommunications entity any penalties imposed upon it for violations of telecommunications statutes.

18. Submit the following:

A. Financial capability.

The application <u>should contain</u> the applicant's audited financial statements for the most recent 3 years. If the applicant does not have audited financial statements, it shall so be stated.

SEE EXHIBIT A

Centennial Florida Switch Corp. is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Centennial Communications Corp. (f/k/a Centennial Cellular Corp.) As such, Applicant submits the annual 10-K reports of its parent company for the past three years, which are on file with the U.S. Securities Exchange Commission, as demonstration of its financial resources and fitness.

These 10-K reports include the following audited financial statements for Centennial Communications Corp. (f/k/a Centennial Cellular Corp.) and its subsidiaries:

- 1. Consolidated Balance Sheet;
- 2. Consolidated Statements of Operations;
- 3. Consolidated Statements of Common Stockholders' Equity; and
- 4. Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows.

Further, the following (which includes supporting documentation) should be provided:

1. <u>written explanation</u> that the applicant has sufficient financial capability to provide the requested service in the geographic area proposed to be served.

SEE EXHIBIT B

2. <u>written explanation</u> that the applicant has sufficient financial capability to maintain the requested service.

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3. <u>written explanation</u> that the applicant has sufficient financial capability to meet its lease or ownership obligations.

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B. Managerial capability: give resumes of employees/officers of the company that would indicate sufficient managerial experiences of each.

SEE EXHIBIT C

C. Technical capability: give resumes of employees/ officers of the company that would indicate sufficient technical experiences or indicate what company has been contracted to conduct technical maintenance.

SEE EXHIBIT C

APPLICANT ACKNOWLEDGEMENT STATEMENT

- 1. **REGULATORY ASSEMENT 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. APPLICANT FEE: I understand that a non-refundable application fee of \$250.00 must be submitted with the application.

UTILITY OFFICIAL:

Rachartfolor	May 31,	, 2000
Signature A	Date	
Rachael A. Galoob Counsel for Applicant, Centennial Florida Switch Title	Corp.	202-659-9750 Telephone No.
Address: 1919 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW		202-452-0067
Washington, D.C. 20006		Fax No.

ATTACHMENTS:

APPENDIX A - CERTIFICATE SALE, TRANSFER, OR ASSIGNMENT STATEMENT (Not Applicable)

APPENDIX B – INTRASTATE NETWORK

APPENDIX C - AFFIDAVIT

CERTIFICATE SALE, TRANSFER, OR ASSIGNMENT STATEMENT

I, (Name)			
(Title) of (Name of Company)			
	Public Service Commission Certificate Number #		
a: N/A			
() sale			
() transfer			
() assignment			
of the above-mentioned certi	ficate.		
UTILITY OFFICIAL:			
Signature	Date		
Title			
Telephone No.	Fax No.		
Address:			

INTRASTATE NETWORK (if available)

Chapter 25-24.825 (5), Florida Administrative Code, requires the company to make available to staff the alternative local exchange service areas only upon request.

1.	POP: Addresses where located, and indicate if owned or leased.*
	1) 2)
	3) 4)
2.	SWITCHES: Address where located, by type of switch, and indicate if owned or leased.*
	1) 150 West Flagler Street, Suite #300 Miami, FL 33130
	Type of Switch: Nortel DMS 250, owned
	2)
3.	TRANSMISSION FACILITIES: POP-to-POP facilities by type of facilities (microwave, fiber, copper, satellite, etc.) and indicate if owned or leased.*
	POP-to-POP OWNERSHIP
	1)
	2)
	2) 3)

^{*} TDB pending site availability and completion of interconnection arrangements.

AFFIDAVIT

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."

UTILITY OFFICIAL:

	May 31, 2000
Signature	Date
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EXHIBIT A

FINANCIALS

CENTENNIAL COMMUNICATIONS CORP. (f/k/a Centennial Cellular Corp.) 1999, 1998 AND 1997 ANNUAL 10-K REPORTS

EXHIBIT B

FINANCIAL CAPABILITY TO PROVIDE AND MAINTAIN THE REQUESTED SERVICE IN THE GEOGRAPHIC AREA PROPOSED TO BE SERVED AND MEET ANY LEASE OR OWNERSHIP OBLIGATIONS

Centennial Florida Switch Corp.'s financial ability to provide local exchange telephone services is derived from the financial resources of its parent entity, Centennial Communications Corp. (f/k/a Centennial Cellular Corp.). Applicant submits as Exhibit A the publicly available 10-K reports of Centennial Communications Corp. for the past three years to evidence its ample financial fitness. Centennial Communications Corp. is one of the nation's original cellular companies, and has become one of the largest independent cellular communications providers in the United States and Puerto Rico.

Centennial's principal source of revenue is providing network access and airtime minutes of use to wireless telephone subscribers. As demonstrated by Exhibit A, Centennial's financial results demonstrate an established and continuing record of financial success. Centennial has experienced positive profitability and cash flow over the past three years, as well as steady growth of net sales, shareholder's equity, and current and total assets. Centennial fully intends Centennial Florida Switch Corp. to be a strong and viable local exchange business, and is prepared to support its subsidiary during its start-up period following entry into the business, during which sales are unlikely to cover current costs.

Centennial has achieved such success because of a large and sustained customer base for its wireless services — with over 585,000 subscribers — to which the Company is committed to assuring consistently high quality customer service. The Company has established local customer support facilities in all the domestic wireless telephone systems and the Puerto Rico integrated communication system, and customers are able to report wireless telephone service problems to a local office 24 hours a day. As an ALEC and wireline provider, Centennial intends to provide its clients with the same superior level of service and support.

As demonstrated by this Application, Centennial's planned provision of advanced telecommunications and data services grows naturally from its successful provision of communications equipment and services over the past decade and a half.

EXHIBIT C

MANAGERIAL & TECHNICAL CAPABILITY-BIOGRAPHIES OF KEY PERSONNEL FOR CENTENNIAL FLORIDA SWITCH CORP.

Carlos Bofill- President

Carlos Bofill is President of Centennial Florida Switch Corp. and has been Chief Executive Officer of Centennial de Puerto Rico since November 1999. Mr. Bofill's presence in the communications industry spans the last 38 years, during which he has developed both technical and management expertise. His professional career began in 1962 with AT&T, where he was a systems engineer responsible for the Bell-South territory central offices for several years. Mr. Bofill then joined GTE in 1966 as a Senior Reliability Engineer responsible for failure and reliability analysis of high-capacity MW radio systems, eventually moving on to fill several other capacities at GTE. In 1968, he became a Manager of Instrumentation and Testing and developed a cutting edge computer control system; in 1970, Mr. Bofill became Chief Engineer of a new manufacturing facility in New Mexico; in 1974, Mr. Bofill left GTE for a four-year stint with Motorola as Technical Operations Manager overseeing the production engineering functions at the Florida portable products plant, but then returned to GTE in 1978 as Worldwide Product Manager, Microwave Radio Systems, responsible for the design of new radio systems in the U.S., Canadian, European and Latin American labs; in 1980, Mr. Bofill became Vice President of Marketing for Latin America and the Far East; in 1982, he was President of GTE Mexico, responsible for all aspects of the company which was the dominant supplier of PABX, key systems and telephones in the Mexican market. Mr. Bofill again left GTE in 1985 to take on the vice presidency and general management of the Commercial Products Division of California Microwave, and again returned to GTE in 1987, now as Director of Business Development of GTE Dominican Republic. Mr. Bofill went on to join the Motorola team in 1989 as Director for the Latin America Region Network Management Group for nine years, managing a portfolio of cellular operating companies in Argentina, Chile, Dominican Republic, Mexico, Nicaragua and Honduras, and then as Vice President and Director for the Americas Network Management Group Iridium for one year, managing the company's participation in the Iridium Gateway companies in the Americas. As Centennial de Puerto Rico's Chief Executive Officer, Mr. Bofill is responsible for the company's operations in Puerto Rico, Dominican Republic, Florida and the Caribbean.

EXHIBIT C (continued)

MANAGERIAL & TECHNICAL CAPABILITY

Michael A. Marrero- Vice President

Michael A. Marrero, Vice President of Centennial Florida Switch Corp., is also Senior Vice President and Chief Technology Officer of Centennial de Puerto Rico and Caribbean Operations. Mr. Marrero's management and technical background includes over 15 years of professional experience in the communications industry. After earning both his Bachelor's and Master's Degrees in Electrical Engineering, Mr. Marrero began his career in 1985 as a Technical Staff Member of Bell Communication Research, where his system engineering responsibilities were in areas such as the technical analysis of fiber optic communications systems. Mr. Marrero then joined Puerto Rico Telephone Company in 1988 as an Engineer with the Transmission and Toll Engineering Department of the Microwave Engineering Division, and was responsible for the design, purchase, installation and testing of fiber optic, communications systems and microwave systems. In 1992, still with Puerto Rico Telephone Company, he joined the Corporate Strategy Department of the Wireless and Video Applications Division, first as an Engineer and then as a Manager in 1994. Mr. Marrero's expertise and skills then lead him to Centennial de Puerto Rico in 1995 as Director of Network Operations, in 1997 as Vice President of Engineering and Operations, and since April 1999 to his current position. In addition to his direct responsibilities for Centennial Engineering and Technology in Puerto Rico, Florida, Dominican Republic, US Virgin Islands and Jamaica, Mr. Marrero continues as an Associate Professor with the Electrical Engineering Department with Universidad Politecnica de Puerto Rico, a position he has held since 1989.

Michael J. Small-Vice President

Michael J. Small is Vice President of Centennial Florida Switch Corp., as well as President, Chief Executive Officer and a director of Centennial Communications Corp. He joined Centennial upon the consummation of the merger with CCW Acquisition Corp. Prior to joining Centennial, Mr. Small served as Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer of 360 Degree Communications Company (now a subsidiary of ALLTEL Corporation) since 1995. Prior to 1995, he served as President of Lynch Corporation, a diversified acquisition-oriented company with operations in telecommunications, manufacturing and transportation services.

EXHIBIT C (continued)

MANAGERIAL & TECHNICAL CAPABILITY

Richard W. Gaskink - Vice President

Richard W. Gaskink is Vice President of Centennial Florida Switch Corp., and Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer for the Caribbean of Centennial Communications Corp. Mr. Gaskink's background includes extensive financial management experience. After earning his M.B.A. in finance from the Amos Tuck School at Dartmouth College in 1977, Mr. Gaskink spent a year with Arthur Andersen as a Consultant. He then became Controller of a small multinational manufacturing firm in Asia and the United States, assuming the responsibilities of lead finance manager. In 1982, Mr. Gaskink began his extended career with Motorola, first as an Asian Treasury Analyst based in Illinois, where he helped to streamline Japanese financing to improve efficiency and reduce cost, modernize Japanese foreign exchange handling practices and optimized Korean equity contribution in light of local U.S. tax laws. In 1984, Mr. Gaskink was appointed European Treasury Manager in charge of financing activities for Motorola's European subsidiaries, and in 1987 became Corporate Finance Manager for The Americas, managing Motorola's corporate activities in the western hemisphere excluding the United States. Mr. Gaskink eventually became Senior Group Controller for the Network Management Group, handling Motorola's investments in telephone service companies outside of the United States. Since December 1999, Mr. Gaskink has been in his current position with Centennial. His responsibilities include business development roles such as acquisition analysis, deal negotiations and due diligence, as well as finance roles such as corporate financing and direct vendor financing. Mr. Gaskink has also served in the United States Navy as Lt. Supply Officer for the UDD Daniel Boone, SSB.

Martin Saez- Vice President, Engineering, Centennial Caribbean Holding Corp.

Martin Saez has been Vice President of Engineering for Centennial Caribbean Holding Corp. since June 1999. He first joined Centennial in June of 1996 as Director of Engineering and Technical Operations, and was appointed Director of Wireline Network Engineering and Planning in June 1998. Prior to joining Centennial, Mr. Saez worked in the Puerto Rico Telephone Company from 1988 to 1996 in the Transmission Engineering Department, where he finally held the position of Transmission Engineering Manager (Interim). Prior to that, Mr. Saez served as a Commissioned Officer in the United States Army Signal Corp., completing his commitment as Support Company Commander in the East Coast Telecommunication Center. He holds a BS in Electrical Engineering from the College of Agricultural and Mechanical Arts (UPR- Mayaguez), and is licensed to practice as an engineer in the state of Puerto Rico.

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