1. This is an application for (check one):

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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 rather that apply for a new certificate.

- Approval of assignment of existing Certificate: Example, a certificated company purchases an existing company and desires to retain the existing certificate of authority and tariff.
- 2. Name of company: Communications Authority, Inc.
- 3. Name under which applicant will do business (fictitious name, etc.):
- 4. Official mailing address:

Street/Post Office Box: 11523 Palm Brush Trail #401 City: Lakewood Ranch State: FL Zip: 34202

5. Florida address:

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Street/Post	Office	Box:	same
City:			
State:			
Zip:			

6. Structure of organization:

Individual
Foreign Corporation
General Partnership
Other,

Corporation Foreign Partnership Limited Partnership

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7. If individual, provide:

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Name:
Title:
Street/Post Office Box:
City:
State:
Zip:
Telephone No.:
Fax No.:
E-Mail Address:
Website Address:

- 8. <u>If incorporated in Florida</u>, provide proof of authority to operate in Florida. The Florida Secretary of State corporate registration number is: P11000091799
- **9.** <u>If foreign corporation</u>, provide proof of authority to operate in Florida. The Florida Secretary of State corporate registration number is:
- **10.** <u>If using fictitious name (d/b/a)</u>, provide proof of compliance with fictitious name statute (Chapter 865.09, FS) to operate in Florida. The Florida Secretary of State fictitious name registration number is:
- **11.** <u>If a limited liability partnership</u>, please proof of registration to operate in Florida. The Florida Secretary of State registration number is:
- **12.** <u>If a partnership</u>, provide name, title and address of all partners and a copy of the partnership agreement.

Name:
Title:
Street/Post Office Box:
City:
State:
Zip:
Telephone No.:
Fax No.:
E-Mail Address:
Website Address:

13. <u>If a foreign limited partnership, provide proof of compliance with the foreign limited</u> partnership statute (Chapter 620.169, FS), if applicable. The Florida registration number is:

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14. Provide F.E.I. Number(if applicable): 45-3658157

- 15. Who will serve as liaison to the Commission in regard to the following?
 - (a) The application:

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Name: Mike Ray Title: CEO Street name & number: 11523 Palm Brush Trail #401 Post office box: City: Lakewood Ranch State: FL Zip: 34202 Telephone No.: 9412569207 Fax No.: 9412569911 E-Mail Address: mike@commauthority.com Website Address:

(b) Official point of contact for the ongoing operations of the company:

Name: Mike Ray Title: CEO Street name & number: 11523 Palm Brush Trail #401 Post office box: City: Lakewood Ranch State: FL Zip: 34202 Telephone No.: 9412569207 Fax No.: 9412569911 E-Mail Address: mike@commauthority.com Website Address:

(c) Complaints/Inquiries from customers:

Name: Mike Ray Title: CEO Street/Post Office Box: 11523 Palm Brush Trail #401 City: Lakewood Ranch State: FL Zip: 34202 Telephone No.: 9412569207 Fax No.: 9412569911 E-Mail Address: mike@commauthority.com Website Address:

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16. List the states in which the applicant:

(a) has operated as a Competitive Local Exchange Telecommunications Company.

none

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(b) has applications pending to be certificated as a Competitive Local Exchange Telecommunications Company.

none

(c) is certificated to operate as a Competitive Local Exchange Telecommunications Company.

none

(d) has been denied authority to operate as a Competitive Local Exchange Telecommunications Company and the circumstances involved.

none

(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

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17. Indicate if any of the officers, directors, or any of the ten largest stockholders have previously been:

(a) adjudged bankrupt, mentally incompetent (and not had his or her competency restored), or found guilty of any felony or of any crime, or whether such actions may result from pending proceedings. If so, provide explanation.

No

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(b) granted or denied a competitive local exchange certificate in the State of Florida (this includes active and canceled competitive local exchange certificates). If yes, provide explanation and list the certificate holder and certificate number.

CEO Mike Ray is President of AstroTel, Inc, current certificate TX671

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

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18. Submit the following:

(a) <u>Managerial capability:</u> resumes of employees/officers of the company that would indicate sufficient managerial experiences of each.

(b) <u>Technical capability</u>: resumes of employees/officers of the company that would indicate sufficient technical experiences or indicate what company has been contracted to conduct technical maintenance.

(c) <u>Financial Capability:</u> applicant's audited financial statements for the most recent three (3) years. If the applicant does not have audited financial statements, it shall so be stated. Unaudited financial statements should be signed by the applicant's chief executive officer and chief financial officer affirming that the financial statements are true and correct and should include:

- 1. the balance sheet,
- 2. income statement, and
- 3. statement of retained earnings.

Note: This documentation may include, but is not limited to, financial statements, a projected profit and loss statement, credit references, credit bureau reports, and descriptions of business relationships with financial institutions.

THIS PAGE MUST BE COMPLETED AND SIGNED

REGULATORY ASSESSMENT FEE: I understand that all telephone companies must pay a regulatory assessment fee. Regardless of the gross operating revenue of a company, a minimum annual assessment fee, as defined by the Commission, is required.

RECEIPT AND UNDERSTANDING OF RULES: I acknowledge receipt and understanding of the Florida Public Service Commission's rules and orders relating to the provisioning of competitive local exchange telecommunications company (CLEC) service in Florida.

APPLICANT ACKNOWLEDGEMENT: 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 competitive local exchange telecommunications 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."

Company Owner or Officer

Print Name: Michael Ray Title: CEO Telephone No.: 9412569207 E-Mail Address: mike@commauthority.com

Signature:

Date: 102411

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Mike Ray

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Profile

Motivated, personable business and engineering professional with a Master's Degree and a successful 20-year track record of profitable small business operation. Diplomatic and tactful with professionals and non-professionals at all levels. Accustomed to designing, implementing and operating innovative business processes and solutions to complex challenges. Proven track record of executive leadership, problem solving, process innovation, business development and cost control.

Flexible and versatile - able to maintain a sense of humor under pressure. Excellent, proven team-building skills.

Skills Summary

- ٠ Executive Leadership
- Regulatory Compliance
- Regulatory Approvals
- Project Management
- Emergency Plan
 - Development

Professional Experience / Employment History

ASTROTEL, INC.

- Built a new Competitive Local Exchange Carrier (CLEC) Telephone Company from scratch
- ٠ Applied for and received all needed regulatory approvals
- Negotiated and executed interconnection agreements with major carriers
- Developed and Implemented Telephone Carrier Emergency/Disaster Plan
- Develop and Maintain Operations Support Systems to track all business data, provide smooth workflow
- Develop Business Processes to efficiently, effectively and smoothly solve day to day problems and meet needs
- Research all major equipment needs to determine best solution, and negotiate all major purchases
- Ensure continued compliance with all regulatory requirements and periodic filings
- File regulatory complaints against other carriers when necessary, resolve complaints filed against AstroTel
- Manage projects for new service offerings or territory expansions
- Manage and resolve inter-carrier issues such as billing disputes or service problems
- Design telecommunications network to interconnect to other carriers and connect to subscribers
- Design e911 emergency service deployment in all service areas and supervise ongoing operations
- Manage personnel in all areas: Engineering, Installation/Repair, Customer Service, Sales/Marketing
- All other executive duties related to operation of a state-wide regulated telecommunications carrier

SYSTEMS CONSULTING GROUP FOUNDER, PRESIDENT

- Built a computer and networking sales and consulting enterprise from scratch
- Designed, implemented and maintained corporate IT networks as a contractor/consultant
- Designed, implemented and maintained corporate PBX telephone systems as a contractor/consultant
- Designed, implemented and maintained the company's Internet Service Provider network and services
- Developed and Maintained Operations Support System to track all business data, provide smooth workflow
- Developed Business Processes to efficiently, effectively and smoothly solve day to day problems and meet needs
- Researched all equipment needs for company and clients to determine best solution, and negotiated purchases
- Evaluated telecommunications carriers for clients, and made recommendations of specific services and carriers
- Managed projects for equipment installations, upgrades or major changes
- Managed personnel in all areas: Engineering, Installation/Repair, Customer Service, Sales/Marketing
- All other executive duties related to operation of the company

- Interconnection Trunking
- e911 Emergency Services
- Personnel Management •
- **Business Process** Development

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Inter-Carrier

- Network Design

Network Construction

1992-2002

- CO-FOUNDER, PRESIDENT
- Management

Relations

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Education

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PACIFIC COAST UNIVERSITY Master of Business Administration Degree, 1999 ESTONIAN-AMERICAN BUSINESS COLLEGE Bachelor's Degree, 1997 JOHN H REAGAN HIGH SCHOOL FOR COMPUTER TECHNOLOGY Diploma, 1989



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