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VIA PRIORITY MAIL June 18, 2020

Florida Public Service Commission Office of Commission Clerk 2540 Shumard Oak Blvd. Tallahassee, Florida 32399

Re:

Easton Telecom Services LLC

Application for Original Authority to Provide Telecommunications Service in the State of Florida

To the Florida Public Service Commission -

Enclosed with this letter is an Application for Original Authority to Provide Telecommunications Service in the State of Florida filed by Easton Telecom Services LLC. An additional copy of Easton's Application is also enclosed with this letter along with the \$500.00 Application fee.

Thank you for the opportunity to submit this Application and if there are any questions, please contact this office at your convenience.

> Sincerely STERLING BUSINESS L

Philip Josephson

Regulatory Counsel to Easton Telecom Services

cc:

Easton Telecom Services

Encl:

Application - Original

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# FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

# OFFICE OF INDUSTRY DEVELOPMENT AND MARKET ANALYSIS

APPLICATION FOR ORIGINAL AUTHORITY
OR TRANSFER OF AUTHORITY
TO PROVIDE
TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICE
IN THE STATE OF FLORIDA

# **INSTRUCTIONS**

This form should be used as the application for an original certificate and transfer of an existing certificate (from a Florida certificated company to a non-certificated company). In the case of a transfer, the information shall be provided by the transferee. If you have other questions about completing the form, call (850) 413-6600.

Print or type all responses to each item requested in the application. If an item is not applicable, please explain. All questions must be answered. If unable to answer the question in the allotted space, please continue on a separate sheet.

Once completed, submit the **original and one copy** of this form along with a **non-refundable** fee of \$500.00 to:

Florida Public Service Commission Office of Commission Clerk 2540 Shumard Oak Blvd. Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0850 (850) 413-6770

PSC 1020 (4/18) Rule No. 25-4.004, F.A.C.

# **APPLICATION**

This	s is an	application	for (check on	ie):				
	☑ Original certificate (new company)							
	Approval of transfer of existing certificate: Example, a non-certificated company purchases an existing company and desires to retain the original certificate rather than apply for a new certificate.							
Plea	Please provide the following:							
1.	<ol> <li>Full name of company, including fictitious name(s), that must match identically with name(s) on file with the Florida Department of State, Division of Corporations registration: EASTON TELECOM SERVICES L.L.C.</li> </ol>							
2.	The	Florida	Secretary	of	State	corporate	registration	number:
	I	M01000002	2613					
3.	F.E.I.	Number:	34-1961773					
4.	Struct	ure of orga	nization:					•
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If a partnership, provide a copy of the partnership agreement.								
	If a foreign limited partnership, proof of compliance with the foreign limited partnership statute (Chapter 620.169, FS). The Florida registration number is:							

5. Who will serve as point of contact to the Commission in regard to the following?

### (a) This application:

Name: PHILIP JOSEPHSON

Title: REGULATORY COUNSEL

Street Address: 2665 S. BAYSHORE DRIVE, PH2B

Post Office Box:

City: MIAMI

State: FLORIDA

Zip: 33133

Telephone No.: 305.285.7970

Fax No.: 30.285.7971

E-Mail Address: pjosephson@sterlingbusinesslaw.com

### (b) Ongoing operations of the company:

(This company liaison will be the point of contact for FPSC correspondence. This point of contact can be updated if a change is necessary but this must be completed at the time the application is filed).

Name: JIM KOLEZYNSKI

Title: DIRECTOR OF OPERATIONS

Street Address: 3046 BRECKSVILLE ROAD, SUMMIT II, UNIT A

Post Office Box:

City: RICHFIELD

State: OHIO

Zip: 44286

Telephone No.: 330.659.6700

Fax No.: 330.659.9379

E-Mail Address: jkolezynski@eastontelecom.com

Company Homepage: www.eastontel.com

#### (c) Optional secondary point of contact or liaison:

(This point of contact will not receive FPSC correspondence but will be on file with the FPSC).

Name: ROBERT E. MOCAS

Title: PRESIDENT

Street Address: 3046 BRECKSVILLE ROAC, SUMMIT II, UNIT A

Post Office Box:

City: RICHFIELD

State: OHIO

Zip: 44286

Telephone No.: 330.659.6700

Fax No.: 330.659.9379

E-Mail Address: rmocas@eastontelecom.com

6.	Physical address for the applicant that will do business in Florida:					
	Street address: 3046 BRECKSVILLE ROAD, SUMMIT II, UNIT A					
	City: RICHFIELD					
	State: OHIO					
	Zip: 44286					
	Telephone No.: 330.659.6700					
	Fax No.: 330.69.9379					
	E-Mail Address: jkolezynski@eastontelecom.com					
7.	List the state(s), and accompanying docket number(s), in which the applicant has:					
	(a) operated as a telecommunications company.					
	Please see Schedule 7(a) attached.					
	(b) applications pending to be certificated as a telecommunications company.					
	NONE.					
	(c) been certificated to operate as a telecommunications company.					
	Please see Schedule 7(c) attached.					
	(d) <b>been denied authority</b> to operate as a telecommunications company and the circumstances involved.  NONE.					
	(e) had regulatory penalties imposed for violations of telecommunications statutes and the circumstances involved.					
	(f) been involved in civil court proceedings with another telecommunications entity, and the circumstances involved. NONE.					
8.	The following questions pertain to the officers and directors. Have any 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? $\square$ Yes $\boxtimes$ No					
	If yes, provide explanation.					
	(b) granted or denied a certificate in the State of Florida (this includes active and canceled certificates)? $\Box$ Granted $\Box$ Denied $\boxtimes$ Neither					
	If granted provide explanation and list the certificate holder and certificate number.					

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(c) an officer, director, and partner in telecommunications company? ☐ Yes ☒ No	any other Florida cer	tificated
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If yes, give name of company and relationsl company, give reason why not.	hip. If no longer associat	ed wit

9. Florida Statute 364.335(1)(a) requires a company seeking a certificate of authority to demonstrate its managerial, technical, and financial ability to provide telecommunications service.

**Note:** It is the applicant's burden to demonstrate that it possesses adequate managerial ability, technical ability, and financial ability. Additional supporting information may be supplied at the discretion of the applicant. For the purposes of this application, financial statements MUST contain the balance sheet, income statement, and statement of retained earnings.

- (a) <u>Managerial ability</u>: An applicant must provide resumes of employees/officers of the company that would indicate sufficient managerial experiences of each. Please explain if a resume represents an individual that is not employed with the company and provide proof that the individual authorizes the use of the resume. Please see Schedule 9 attached.
- (b) <u>Technical ability:</u> An applicant must provide resumes of employees/officers of the company that would indicate sufficient technical experiences or indicate what company has been contracted to conduct technical maintenance. Please explain if a resume represents an individual that is not employed with the company and provide proof that the individual authorizes the use of the resume.

  Please see Schedule 9 attached.
- (c) <u>Financial ability</u>: An applicant must provide financial statements demonstrating financial ability by submitting a balance sheet, income statement, and retained earnings statement. An applicant that has audited financial statements for the most recent three years must provide those financial statements. If a full three years' historical data is not available, the application must include both historical financial data and pro forma data to supplement. An applicant of a newly established company must provide three years' pro forma data. If the applicant does not have audited financial statements, it must be so stated and signed by either the applicant's chief executive officer or chief financial officer affirming that the financial statements are true and correct.

Please see Schedule 9 attached.

10.	Where will you officially designate as your place of publicly publishing your schedule a/k/a tariffs or price lists)? (Tariffs or price lists MUST be publicly published to comply with Florida Statute 364.04).				
	☐ Florida Public Service Commission				
	http://www.eastontel.com/customer-resources				
	Other – Please provide address:				

# THIS PAGE MUST BE COMPLETED AND SIGNED

**REGULATORY ASSESSMENT FEE:** I understand that all telecommunications companies must pay a regulatory assessment fee. A minimum annual assessment fee, as defined by the Commission, is required.

**RECEIPT AND UNDERSTANDING OF RULES:** I understand the Florida Public Service Commission's rules, orders, and laws relating to the provisioning of telecommunications company service in Florida.

**APPLICANT ACKNOWLEDGEMENT:** By my signature below, I, the undersigned owner or officer, attest to the accuracy of the information contained in this application and attached documents and that the applicant has the technical ability, managerial ability, and financial ability to provide 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 have the authority to sign on behalf of my company and agree to comply, now and in the future, with all applicable Commission rules, orders and laws.

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 or her official duty shall be guilty of a misdemeanor of the second degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082 and s. 775.083."

I understand that any false statements can result in being denied a certificate of authority in Florida.

# COMPANY OWNER OR OFFICER

Print Name:	ROBERT E. MOCAS	
Title:	PRESIDENT	
Telephone No.:	330.659.6700	
E-Mail Address:	rmocas@eastontelc.om	

Signature: Date: 6/17/2020

# Schedule 7(a) and Schedule 7(c)

State Authority Status

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Jurisdictions	·	Date Authorized	CLEC Authority	Date Authorized	Docket # (if applicable)	
Alabama	Resale	3/13/2002				
Alaska						
Arizona	Resale	11/20/2002				
Arkansas	Resale	1/17/2002	Resale	2/13/2003	02-249-U	
California	Resale	1/25/2002	Resale/Facilities-Based	6/5/2003	U-6778-C	
Colorado	Resale	11/8/2001				
Connecticut	Resale	4/21/2005	Resale	4/21/2005	0403-15	
Delaware	Resale	6/18/2002				
District of Columbia	Resale	12/10/2001				
Florida	Resale	4/1/2002				
Georgia	Resale	1/10/2002				
Hawaii	Resale	4/8/2002				
Idaho	Resale	1/20/2002				
Illinois	Resale	8/7/2002	Resale/Facilities-Based	8/7/2002	02-0154	
Indiana	Resale	4/22/2002	Resale	5/28/2002	40900	
Iowa	Resale	4/25/2002	***			
Kansas	Resale	2/19/2002	Resale/Facilities-Based	4/9/2003	03-ESTT-457-COC	
Kentucky	Resale	12/19/2001	Resale	9/20/2010	T63-0481	
Louisiana	Resale	10/11/2004				
Maine						
Maryland	Resale	4/10/2002				
Massachusetts	Resale	12/18/2001				
Michigan	Resale	11/6/2002	Resale/Facilities -Based	10/15/1997	U-11441	
Minnesota	Resale	4/24/2002				
Mississippi	Resale	2/4/2002				
Missouri	Resale	2/14/2002				
Montana						
Nebraska	Resale	4/2/2002	Resale/Facilities-Based	10/28/2003	C-2934	
Nevada				2	G-2754	
New Hampshire	Resale	2/11/2002				
New Jersey	Resale	11/9/2001				
New Mexico	Resale	5/1/2002				
New York	Resale	5/30/2002	Resale/Facilities-Based	12/22/2004	01-C-1885	
North Carolina	Resale	3/25/2002	12/22/2004		01-0-1005	
North Dakota	Resale	2/14/2002	Resale	2/14/2002	PU-2649-02-389	
Ohio	Resale	4/24/2002	Resale	4/24/2002	90-9032	
Oklahoma	Resale	4/11/2002				
Oregon	Resale	1/8/2002	Resale	7/23/2010	10-283	
Pennsylvania	Resale	2/21/2002	Resale/Facilities-Based	9/29/2005	A-311155F.3	
Rhode Island	Resale	12/21/2005				
South Carolina	Resale	9/27/2002				
South Dakota					TC10-085	
l'ennessee	Resale	6/13/2002	Resale	6/13/2002	121995	
Гехаѕ	Resale		Resale/Facilities-Based	1/5/2004		
Jtah	Resale	11/21/2001	Resale	2/9/2010	60671	
Vermont	Resale	2/20/2002	Resale		09-2517-01	
Virginia	Resale	5/29/2002				
Washington	Resale	2/14/2002		0/22/1000	LIT 000574	
West Virginia	Resale	6/20/2002	Resale	9/22/1999	UT-020571	
Wisconsin	Resale	12/4/2001	Donal -	5 /2 /2002		
Wyoming			Resale	5/3/2002	7617	
· Journal	Resale	12/21/2001				

#### Schedule 9

## Managerial, Technical, and Financial Capability

### Robert E. Mocas, General Manager

63 years old. BA in 1979 and post-graduate studies. Entered telecom industry in 1983 as Consultant Trainee. Became Senior Vice President in 1988. Left firm in 1992 to found Resale LO Company. Operated successfully as President for 7 years. Sold company in 1999, remained as Vice President of parent firm and operated as subsidiary profitably. Organized Weston Telecommunications, LLC, now known as Easton Telecom Services, L.L.C. to purchase assets of Easton Telecom Services, Inc. in 2001.

### Jim Kolezynski, Director of Operations

67 years old. 47 years of experience in industry. MBA, BA in Business Administration; Associate in Accounting. Has held managerial positions in various disciplines including Accounting, Sales, Marketing and Business Development. Previously with SBC/Ameritech, Ohio Bell, and AT&T.

#### Samantha Macke, Controller

41 years old, employed at Easton since 2018. BA in 2000, MBA expected May of 2021. 15 years of experience in accounting, financial analysis, and tax compliance. Previously with the Better Business Bureau.

## James W. Butler, Director of Sales and Marketing

53 years old. 32 years of experience in industry. Employed by Easton since September 1992. Previously the Manager of Support Services. Previous experience in outside sales for LOOS, Allnet and Conquest Communications.

### Denise L. Stoppenhagen, Director of Network Services

55 years old. 31 years of experience in industry. Employed by Easton since 1994. BA in 1987. Previously with Progressive Communication Technologies as Manager of Complex Local Networks Local/Data/Equipment/LO and Disaster Recovery.

# Dawna R. Kornick, Director of Support & Local Network Services

62 years old. 33 years of experience in industry. Employed by Easton since 1995. Previously with BN1 Telecommunications where she held several different positions including Marketing Support Rep., Account Coordinator, Provisioning & Customer Service.