

Public Service Commission

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July 7, 1999

TO:

Nancy Pruitt, Division of Communications

FROM:

Eva P. Samaan, Division of Auditing and Financial Analysis

RE:

Docket No. 990857-TI, Comtel Network, LLC, Financial Analysis for Cer

Application for Intrastate Interexchange Telecommunications Service

Section 364.337 (3), Florida Statutes, requires the following:

The commission shall grant a certificate of authority to provide intrastate interexchange telecommunications service upon a showing that the applicant has sufficient technical, financial, and managerial capability to provide such service in the geographic area proposed to be served.

Also Section 364.01 (3) and (4) states that:

(3) The Legislature finds that the competitive provision of telecommunications service, including local exchange telecommunications service, is in the public interest.

and

(4)(d) The Commission shall exercise its exclusive jurisdiction in order to: (d) Promote competition by encouraging new entrants into telecommunications markets . . .

Regarding the showing of financial capability, the Finance staff has analyzed the unaudited financial statements of Comtel Network, LLC (CNL) for the period ending December 31, 1998. An audit could change one's opinion of the company's financial condition. As the attached schedule shows, CNL has adequate liquidity, sufficient common equity and reported a positive net income for the period.

In this matter, CNL is asking for a certificate to provide IXC service. Staff notes the limited nature of the application and that no customer provided funds appear to be at risk. For purposes of granting a certificate based on the financial information provided, the financial capability appears adequate.

The	applicant	attests	to	its	financial	capability	to	provide	and	maintain	the	proposed
telec	ommunicat	ions ser	vice	. (CNL has a	vailable fur	din	g in the a	mour	it of \$30,6	97 tl	hrough its
accou	ant with Ca	alifornia	Fec	lera	l Bank to	support futi	ire (operations	s. Ba	sed on thi	s sho	owing, the
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June 29, 1999

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Re: Docket No. 990857-TI

Dear Ms. Borne:

This will acknowledge receipt of an application for certificate to provide interexchange telecommunications service by Comtel Network, LLC, which was filed with this office on June 28, 1999 and assigned the above-referenced docket number. Appropriate staff members will be advised.

Mediation may be available to resolve any dispute in this docket. If mediation is conducted, it does not affect a substantially interested person's right to an administrative hearing. For more information, contact the Office of General Counsel at (850) 413-6078 or FAX (850) 413-6079.

Please make notes as well that Commission Rule 25-22.005(7), F.A.C., requires certificated companies to notify the Commission of any changes in name, telephone, address, or contact person. Should your application be granted by the Commission, you will be expected to comply with this rule by advising us of any changes as they occur.

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