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Backbone Communications Inc. :
: Application for a certificate of :
local and interexchange authority :
to operate as a facilities :
based carrier of telecommunications :
services in the Chicago area of the :
State of Illinois. :

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**APPLICATION FOR CERTIFICATE TO BECOME A
TELECOMMUNICATIONS CARRIER**
(Use additional sheets as necessary.)

GENERAL

1. Applicant's Name(including d/b/a, if any) FEIN # _95-4663359_

Backbone Communications Inc.
Address: 550 S Hope Street, Suite 1050
Los Angeles, CA 90071

2. Authority Requested: (Mark all that apply) _X_ 13-403 Facilities Based Interexchange
_ 13-404 Resale of Local and/or Interexchange
X 13-405 Facilities Based Local

3. Request for waivers/variances: In applications for local exchange service authority under Sections 13-404 or 13-405, waivers of Part 710 and of Section 735.180 of Part 735 are generally requested. In applications for interexchange service authority under Sections 13-403 and 13-404, waivers of Part 710 and Part 735 are generally requested. Please indicate which waivers Applicant is requesting and explain why Applicant is requesting each waiver/variance.

_ Part 710 Uniform System of Accounts for Telecommunications Carriers

_ Part 735 Procedures Governing the Establishment of Credit, Billing, Deposits, Termination of Service and Issuance of Telephone Directories for Local Exchange Telecommunications Carriers in the State of Illinois

we did not provide services in Illinois. Although it was still our intention to keep our filings valid, a change in our regulatory personnel resulted in an oversight whereby Illinois filings were not kept current due to the fact that we were not currently doing business in the state. A new person has since been given the task of managing our regulatory filings and we can assure you that in the future, all paperwork will be promptly filed. We hope to offer services in Illinois within the next 10 months.

11. Have there been any complaints or judgements levied against the Applicant in any other jurisdiction?

YES NO

If YES, describe fully. _____

12. Has Applicant provided service under any other name?

YES NO

If YES, please list. _____

13. Will the Applicant keep its books and records in Illinois? YES NO

If NO, permission pursuant to 83 Ill. Adm Code Part 250 needs to be requested.

As a foreign corporation, our books are kept at our main office in Los Angeles, California.

MANAGERIAL

14. Please attach evidence of the applicant's managerial and technical resources and ability to provide service. This may be in either narrative form, resumes of key personnel, or a combination of these forms.

Our company has been providing telecommunications services such as Internet, Frame Relay, MPLS and Private Line services in multiple states since 1997. We have built a successful business and are well respected in the telecommunications community. Backbone Communications is the second telecommunications company started by our CEO, Robert Bral. He previously owned and operated Bittel which was sold to Brooks Fiber in 1995 and later became part of MCI/WorldCom. Mr. Bral has also held instructor positions in telecommunications at UCLA and Golden Gate University.

15. List officers of Applicant.

Robert Bral, President
Peyman Bral, Secretary
Robert Bral, Treasurer

16. Does any officer of Applicant have an ownership or other interest in any other entity which has provided or is currently providing telecommunications services? YES NO

If YES, list entity. _____

17. How will Applicant bill for its service(s)? (At a minimum, describe how often the Applicant will bill for service and details of the billing statement.)

We will bill for services on a monthly basis via paper and electronic invoices. The invoices will provide detail on services billed by service type and dates of Service (1.544 Mbps Internet access from 1/1/05-1/31/05 - \$499)

18. How does Applicant propose to handle service, billing, and repair complaints? (At a minimum, describe Applicant's internal process for complaint resolution, the complaint escalation process, the timeframe and process by which the customer is notified by Applicant that they may seek assistance from the Commission?)

We have a 24X7 toll free number to our Network Operations Center for any service trouble tickets. Upon calling, customers receive a trouble ticket tracking number. The trouble ticket will be managed by the NOC and by customer service and will be closed once customer has verified that the trouble has been resolved. Our Service Agreement contains details on billing dispute resolution and includes an email address (disputes@bbcominc.com) for customers to utilize when filing a formal dispute. They may also contact our billing department at a number listed on the invoice with any questions.

19. Will personnel be available at Applicant's business office during regular working hours to respond to inquiries about service or billing? YES NO

20. What telephone number(s) would a customer use to contact your company?

800-981-1111

21. Will Applicant abide by all Federal and State slamming and cramming laws pursuant to Section 13-902 of the Public Utilities Act and Section 258 of the 1996 Telecommunications Act?

YES NO

22. Please describe applicant's procedures to prevent slamming and cramming of customers? We do not offer voice services to customers in Illinois so this is not applicable. If in the future, however, we did seek to provide these services, we our internal policies would strictly prohibit these practices.

23. If granted authority to operate as a local exchange carrier, will the applicant abide by the following 83 Illinois Administrative Code Parts: 705, 710, 720, 725, 730, 732, 735, 755, 756, 757, 770, and 772?

YES NO (If no, please provide an explanation.)

24. Is Applicant aware that it must file tariffs prior to providing service in Illinois?

YES NO

FINANCIAL

25. Please attach evidence of Applicant's financial fitness through the submission of its most current income statement and balance sheet, or other appropriate documentation of applicant's financial resources and ability to provide service. Please see attached.

TECHNICAL

26. Does Applicant utilize its own equipment and/or facilities? YES NO

If YES, please list the facilities Applicant intends to utilize. Also include evidence that Applicant possesses the necessary technical resources to deploy and maintain said facilities:

We intend to utilize our facilities and equipment to offer Internet, MPLS and Private Line services to customers - specifically, Lucent CBX ATM switches, Cisco 12008 Routers, Cisco 7507 Routers, a variety of muxes and customer premise equipment if required. Evidence that our company possesses the necessary technical resources to deploy and maintain said facilities is supported by the fact that we have been doing so successfully since 1997.

If NO, which facility provider(s)'s services does the Applicant intend to use?

27. Please describe the nature of service to be provided (e.g., operator services, internet, debit cards, long distance service, data services, local service, prepaid local service).

Internet Access, MPLS Services, Private Lines

28. Will technical personnel be available at all times to assist customers with service problems?

YES NO

29. If Applicant intends to provide payphone service, will the equipment utilized comply with FCC requirements and Finding (9) of the Commission Order entered in Docket No. 84-0442 on June 11, 1986, including, but not limited to: (a) touch dialing; (b) access to 9-1-1 and "0" operator dialing without use of a coin; (c) rules governing use of payphones by disabled persons; (d) ability to complete local and long-distance calls; (e) unlimited duration for local calls; and (f) a message explaining the telephone's general operations, dialing instructions for emergency assistance, payphone owner's name, method of reporting service problems and method of receiving credit for faulty calls? N/A YES NO



(Signature of Applicant)

VERIFICATION

This application shall be verified under oath.

OATH

State of California)
County of Los Angeles)ss

Robert Bral makes oath and says that he is the President of Backbone Communications Inc., that he has examined the foregoing application and that to the best of his knowledge, information, and belief, all statements of fact contained in the said application are true, and the said application is a correct statement of the business and affairs of the above-named applicant in respect to each and every matter set forth therein.

[Signature]
(Signature of affiant)

Subscribed and sworn to before me, a Notary Public/ _____
(Title of person authorized to administer oaths)

in the State and County above named, this 1st day of March, 2006



[Signature]
(Signature of person authorized to administer oath)