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BEFORE THE ILLINOIS COMMERCE COMMISSION

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Niatel, LLC)
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Petition for Confidential Treatment)
Of Financial Reports required for)
Application for Certificate to operate as)
A Reseller of Telecommunications Services)
throughout the State of Illinois)

CHIEF CLERK'S OFFICE
Docket No. 09 - 0509

PETITION FOR CONFIDENTIAL TREATMENT

Niatel, LLC, ("Applicant") hereby petitions the Illinois Commerce Commission ("Commission") for relief to protect from disclosure, for not less than five years, financial information required in the Application for a Certificate to operate as a reseller of Telecommunications Services. This petition is filed in accordance with 83 Ill. Admin. Code 200.430(c). In support of this Petition, the Applicant states the following:

1. Applicant is applying to operate as a reseller of Local and Interexchange Telecommunications services;
2. Applicant is a small utility as defined by Ill. Admin. Code 83 § 340.20;
3. Applicant is required to submit financial information which it seeks to protect as proprietary;
4. The Applicant's Financial Information contain confidential information regarding cash flow, which disclosure to competitors or potential competitors would likely limit their ability to compete in the highly competitive telecommunications industry;
5. In addition, Section 7 of the Illinois Freedom Information Act, 5 ILCS 140/7(g) exempts from public disclosure "trade secrets or information.....where

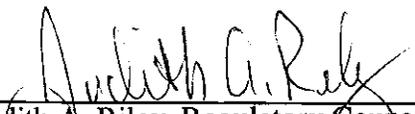
disclosure of the trade secrets or information may cause competitive harm...”

Applicants’ Financial Information falls within this allowed exemption; and

6. Applicants seek an Order from the Commission, without hearing, protecting the financial documents from disclosure for a period of not less than five (5) years.

WHEREFORE, Applicant respectfully requests that the Commission enter an Order, without hearing, protecting the financial information of the Applicant for a period of not less than five (5) years.

DATED this 9th day of November, 2009.

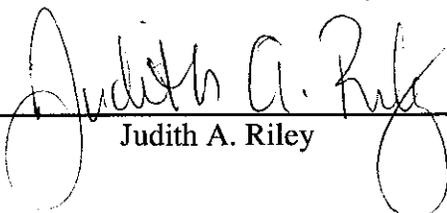


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VERIFICATION

I, Judith A. Riley, being duly sworn upon oath, depose and state that as Regulatory Counsel for Niatel, LLC, that she has read the foregoing Petition and knows the contents thereof, and that the same are true to the best of her knowledge, information and belief.



Judith A. Riley

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 2nd day of November, 2009.



Notary Public