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BEFORE THE WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

In the Matter of North County) DOCKET UT-970958
Communications Corporation)
for an Order)
Granting) ORDER GRANTING
Registration) REGISTRATION
to Provide Local Exchange) APPLICATION AND
Services and Authorizing) AUTHORIZING THE
Provision of Interexchange) PROVISION OF INTEREXCHANGE Telecommunications)
AND INTRAEXCHANGE
Services.) TELECOMMUNICATIONS
.....) SERVICES

North County Communications Corporation (North County) filed for authority to provide resold local services and interexchange services. North County intends to subscribe to high volume local, intralata and interlata services of facilities based carriers, including switched and special access services, interconnections services, and interexchange services and in turn, will retail communications services to its customers. North County intends to eventually install an Excel switch in the State of Washington for provision of services.

North County has the principal office in San Diego, California. The company is solely owned by Mr. Todd Lesser. The registered agent in Washington State is CT Corporation System in Seattle, Washington. The applicant is a corporation, organized under the laws of California in 1990 and is qualified to transact business in Washington.

North County's proposed tariff is satisfactory and will mirror Local Exchange Company calling. The company has provided the information necessary to demonstrate North County possesses adequate financial resources and technical competence to provide the proposed services. North County has voluntarily committed to collect and remit to appropriate administrative agencies relevant excise taxes in support of various social programs, including enhanced 911, telecommunications relay services, and lifeline. North County does not propose to collect advanced payments or deposits from customers.

FINDINGS

THE COMMISSION FINDS:

1. North County Communications Corporation is a public service company subject to the jurisdiction of this Commission under the provisions of chapter 80.36 R.C.W.
2. North County Communications Corporation has provided sufficient information to show that it is financially and technically capable to provide the services proposed.
3. It appears, upon investigation, that the request for authority to provide resold

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intraexchange services and interexchange telecommunications services should be approved.

4. In this proceeding, the Commission in no way endorses the financial viability of applicant nor the investment quality of any securities it may issue.

ORDER

THE COMMISSION ORDERS:

1. After the effective date of this order and subject to the conditions hereof, the filing with the Commission of North County Communications Corporation, requesting authority for registration to provide intraexchange and interexchange telecommunications services is hereby granted.

2. This order shall in no way affect the authority of this Commission over rates, service, accounts, valuations, estimates or determination of costs, or any matters whatsoever that may come before it, nor shall anything herein be construed as an acquiescence in any estimate or determination of costs, or any valuation of property claimed or asserted.

3. The proposed tariff as filed and amended, is satisfactory. Prior to supplying services to the public as a telecommunications company, North County Communications Corporation shall file and receive permission and approval for an initial tariff from the Commission identical to the amended tariff filed in the application. The tariff shall bear an effective date not less than 30 days subsequent to the date of receipt by the Commission.

4. North County Communications Corporation shall not collect advanced payments or deposits without first showing that it has a satisfactory arrangement to protect customer monies as stated in WAC 480-121-040.

DATED at Olympia, Washington, and effective this th day of October, 1997.

WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

STEVE McLELLAN, Secretary