



September 20, 2011
Via E-Mail

Ms. Carole J. Washburn, Executive Secretary
Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission
1300 S. Evergreen Park Drive, S.W.
P.O. Box 47250
Olympia, WA 98504-7250

RE: Business Telecom, Inc.
Name Change to Business Telecom, Inc. d/b/a EarthLink Business

Dear Ms. Washburn:

The original of this letter is filed as official notification to the Commission that Business Telecom, Inc. is changing the name under which it will provide telecommunications services within the State of Washington to Business Telecom, Inc. d/b/a EarthLink Business. Enclosed is a copy of documentation on the registration of the new trade name with the Washington Department of Licensing.

This is simply a change in the Company Trade Name and is not the result of a change in control or merger/acquisition activity. This change does not affect the rates, terms or conditions of service currently provided to the Company's Washington Customers.

Please acknowledge receipt of this filing by date-stamping the extra copy of this cover letter and returning it to me in the self-addressed, stamped envelope provided for that purpose.

Questions regarding this filing should be directed to my attention at 407-740-3001 or via email to tforte@tminc.com. Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Sincerely,

Thomas M. Forte
Consultant to Business Telecom, Inc.

cc: Mary Whiting (via Email) - EarthLink - BTI
file: EarthLink - BTI - Washington - Other
tms: WAX1101

Enclosures
TF/mp



Master License Service
 Department of Licensing
 PO Box 9034
 Olympia WA 98507-9034
 Telephone: (360) 664-1400
 www.dol.wa.gov

Information provided may be subject to disclosure under the public disclosure law (RCW 42.56)

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 MASTER LICENSE SERVICE

BUSINESS TELECOM, INC.

Legal Entity/Owner Name

601404388

Unified Business Identifier (UBI)

56-1426866

Federal Employer Identification Number (FEIN)

For Validation - Office Use Only

01P-400-925-0003

Master Business Application

For faster service - Apply online @

www.dol.wa.gov

or print in dark ink and mail to Master License Service

1. Purpose of Application

Please check all boxes that apply.

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|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Open/Reopen Business
complete sections 2, 3, 4, (5 if hiring employees) and 6 | <input type="checkbox"/> Add License/Registration to Existing Location
complete sections 2, 3, 4, and 6 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Open Additional Location
complete sections 2, 3, 4, (5 if hiring employees) and 6 | <input type="checkbox"/> Business Has or Will Have Employees
complete all sections |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Change Ownership
complete sections 2, 3, 4, (5 if you have employees) and 6 | <input type="checkbox"/> Business Has or Will Have Employees Under Age 18
complete all sections |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Register Trade Name
complete sections 2, 3, 4 and 6 | <input type="checkbox"/> Hire Persons to Work In or Around Your Home
complete all sections |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Change Trade Name - complete sections 2, 3, 4 and 6
Name(s) to be cancelled: _____ | <input type="checkbox"/> Other - complete all sections _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Change Location - complete sections 2, 3, 4 and 6
Old address to be closed: _____ | |

2. Licenses and Fees

Use the License Fee Sheet for the information needed to complete this list.

Mark Registrations Needed:	Fees Due
<input type="checkbox"/> Tax Registration (State Dept. of Revenue) - Do you want a separate tax return for each business? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	No Fee
<input type="checkbox"/> Industrial Insurance (Workers' Compensation) - Required if you will have employees.	No Fee
<input type="checkbox"/> Unemployment Insurance - Required if you will have employees.	No Fee
<input type="checkbox"/> Minor Work Permit - Required if you will have employees under age 18.	No Fee
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> New Trade Name (Doing Business As): EarthLink Business	\$ 5.00
List Additional Trade Names (\$5 each name) or Other Licenses (such as Lottery Retailer):	
Y	\$
Y	\$
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Y	\$
Y	\$

Enclose check for total amount due, including the Processing Fee, which MUST be submitted with this form.

Processing Fee \$ 15.00

Make check payable to the Department of Licensing.

Total Amount Due \$

3. Owner Information

a. Select only ONE ownership structure:

- Sole Proprietor
 If married, should spouse's name appear on license? Yes No (If you answer No, you must still enter the spouse information in section "3f" below.)
- Corporation* Non Profit Corporation* (educational, religious, charitable) Limited Liability Company*
- Partnership (# of partners: _____) Joint Venture
- Limited Partnership* Limited Liability Partnership* Limited Liability Limited Partnership*
- *These ownership structures must contact the Secretary of State office for additional filing requirements.*

Business Telecom, Inc.

Name of Corporation, LLC, Partnership, LLP, LLLP, or Joint Venture Name (examples: ABC, Inc. OR Fir Trees Unlimited LLC)

State incorporated/formed: NC Year incorporated/formed: 1983

- Association Trust Municipality Tribal Government Other _____

Name of Organization (example: Anderson Family Trust)

b. Business Open Date 12 (2010) Provide the ownership structure's first date of business at this location. Out-of-state businesses should use the first date of operation in WA. (Required. If unknown, please estimate.)

c. EarthLink Business

Business Name/Trade Name

Is this location inside city limits? Yes No

d. 1375 Peachtree Street

Business Mailing Address (Street or PO Box, Suite No. do not use building name)

Business Street Address (If different than mailing) Do not use a PO Box or PMB.

Atlanta GA 30309
 City State Zip code

City State Zip code

e. (404) 815-0770

Business Telephone Number

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 Fax Number

Internet/E-Mail Address

f. List all owners & spouses: Sole proprietor, partners, officers, or LLC members. (Attach additional pages if needed.)

> see attached

Name (Last, First, Middle)

Date of Birth Social Security Number* % Owned

Home Address (Street or PO Box)

City State Zip code

Title

Home Telephone Number

Are you married? Yes No If yes, enter spouse information below.

Spouse Name (Last, First, Middle)

Spouse Date of Birth Spouse Social Security Number*

> Name (Last, First, Middle)

Date of Birth Social Security Number* % Owned

Home Address (Street or PO Box)

City State Zip code

Title

Home Telephone Number

Are you married? Yes No If yes, enter spouse information below.

Spouse Name (Last, First, Middle)

Spouse Date of Birth Spouse Social Security Number*

> Name (Last, First, Middle)

Date of Birth Social Security Number* % Owned

Home Address (Street or PO Box)

City State Zip code

Title

Home Telephone Number

Are you married? Yes No If yes, enter spouse information below.

Spouse Name (Last, First, Middle)

Spouse Date of Birth Spouse Social Security Number*

*The Social Security Number is required for all sole proprietors. It is also required for all partners, officers, and LLC members of businesses that will have employees, and all owners and spouses of businesses that will have liquor, lottery or private investigator licenses. Not fully completing section "f" will result in application delays. (RCW 26.23.150. RCW 50.12.070)

Business Telecom, Inc.

Officers

Rolla P. Huff	Chief Executive Officer
Bradley A. Ferguson	Chief Financial Officer and Assistant Secretary
Joseph M. Wetzel	President
Samuel R. DeSimone, Jr.	General Counsel and Secretary

Offices:

1375 Peachtree Street, NE
Atlanta, GA 30309

4. Location / Business Information

a. Are you an out-of-state business with no Washington location and have employees or representatives working in Washington?

Yes No

If yes, provide one of their Washington addresses (we will not use this address for mailing purposes):

Business Street Address (Do not use a PO Box or PMB Address) _____ City _____ State _____ Zip code _____

b. Do you plan to hire independent contractors or people you will report on a 1099 form? Yes No

Check "Independent Contractors" definition at www.lni.wa.gov/IPUB/101-063-000.pdf

c. Provide the estimated gross annual income in Washington (check the one box that applies to your business):

\$0 - \$12,000 \$12,001 - \$28,000 \$28,001 - \$60,000 \$60,001 - \$100,000 \$100,001 and above

d. Mark the business activities in Washington State (check all that apply):

Wholesale Retail Manufacturing Services

e. Describe in detail the principal products or services you provide in Washington State--failure to provide this information will cause delay in processing your application:

Telecommunications products and services

f. Did you buy, lease, or acquire all or part of an existing business? No All Part

Date bought/leased/acquired: _____ / _____ / _____
MM DD YY
 Prior Business Name _____
 Telephone Number _____

g. Did you purchase/lease any fixtures or equipment on which you have not paid sales or use tax? Yes No

If yes, indicate purchase or lease price: \$ _____

h. If this business is owned by, controlled by, or affiliated with any other business entity, provide that business entity's name:

i. If you are changing your business structure (such as changing from sole proprietorship to corporation) and want the old account closed, provide the UBI number to be closed: _____

Do you wish to cancel all the trade names registered under the old UBI number? Yes No
 You must re-register all trade names you use under the new business structure.

j. If you have ever owned another business, provide: _____
Business Name UBI Number

k. Provide your bank's name: _____ Branch: _____

If you plan to have employees or wish to register for elective coverage for owners or excluded employees, complete Section 5.
 (For information see the Industrial Insurance or Unemployment Insurance sections on the License Fee Sheet.)

5. Employment / Elective Coverage

Employment accounts cannot be established unless you plan to employ persons within the next 90 days. If accounts are established, employment tax returns will be required quarterly even if you have not hired.

a. Date of first employment or planned employment at this location: MM / DD / YY First date wages paid: MM / DD / YY

b. Number of persons you employ or plan to employ at this location (do not include owners): _____

c. Estimate the number of persons under age 18 (minors) you will employ in the next 12 months and duties they will perform:

Number	Duties to be performed by minors (Check www.teenworkers.inl.wa.gov)
Ages 16-17: _____	_____
Ages 14-15: _____	_____
Under age 14: _____	_____

d. Check the ONE box which best describes the major operation of your business.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> (01) Drywall Operations | <input type="checkbox"/> (05) Maritime/Vessels/Longshore | <input type="checkbox"/> (09) Vehicle Svcs/Transportation | <input type="checkbox"/> (13) Retail/Wholesale Stores & Warehousing |
| <input type="checkbox"/> (02) Logging/Forestry | <input type="checkbox"/> (06) Electronics/Utilities/Vending Mch | <input type="checkbox"/> (10) Mfg - Chem/Textiles/Paper | <input type="checkbox"/> (14) Food Svcs/Chore/Asst Lvg/Janitor |
| <input type="checkbox"/> (03) Construction/Engng/Property Mgmt | <input type="checkbox"/> (07) Wood Prod/Stone/Glass & Mining | <input type="checkbox"/> (11) Mfg - Food/Ice/Beverages | <input type="checkbox"/> (15) Media/Entertainment/Lodging |
| <input type="checkbox"/> (04) Temp Help Co/Employee Leasing | <input type="checkbox"/> (08) Mfg - Metal/Mach Shops/Millwright | <input type="checkbox"/> (12) Agriculture/Farming | <input type="checkbox"/> (16) I.T./Prof Svcs/Med/Salvtr/Schools |

e. Describe in detail the activities of your workers. Then estimate the total workers' hours for a 3-month period. (One full-time worker = 480 total hours for 3 months.)

	3-Month Estimate	
	Number of Workers	Workers' Hours (Include Minors)
Example: Office Staff - reception, accounting, data entry	2	960
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f. If you have more than one Washington location, how do you wish to receive the following quarterly reports?

- Unemployment Insurance: All locations combined Each location separately (multiple reports)
- Workers' Compensation: All locations combined Each location separately (multiple reports)

Additional Coverage is available as noted below. (See License Fee Sheet for more information.)

Note: Profit corporations with employees must cover corporate officers that provide services in Washington with Unemployment Insurance. If you choose to exempt some or all officers from this coverage, you must submit the Exemption Form. Visit www.esd.wa.gov/uitax/corporateofficers/exempt-officers-defined.php for the form and more information.

g. If your profit corporation doesn't have employees, do you want unemployment insurance coverage for corporate officers?
 Yes - Prior to coverage, Form 5203 is required. This form will be sent to you by Employment Security Dept.

h. Do you want workers' compensation coverage for owners (sole proprietor, partners, corporate officers, LLC members/managers)? (In an LLC with managers, you may elect to cover those persons who are both members (owners) and managers. In an LLC with members only, you may elect to cover those members.)
 Yes - Prior to coverage, Form F213-042-000 is required. This form will be sent to you by the Dept. of Labor & Industries.
 No

i. Do you want elective workers' compensation coverage for excluded employment? (See License Fee Sheet for descriptions.)
 Yes - Prior to coverage, Form F213-112-000 is required. This form will be sent to you by the Dept. of Labor & Industries.
 No

6. Signature Signature of sole proprietor or spouse, partner, corporate officer, or limited liability member/manager.

I, the undersigned, declare under the penalties of perjury and/or the revocation of any license granted, that I am the applicant or authorized representative of the firm making this application and that the answers contained, including any accompanying information, have been examined by me and that the matters and things set forth are true, correct and complete.

x Samuel R. DeSimone Jr.
 Signature Required

May 19, 2011
 Date

Samuel R. DeSimone Jr.
 Application Prepared By (Please Print)

General Counsel
 Title

(404) 815-0770
 Telephone No.

 Date

and Secretary

Some agencies can provide language assistance. Would you like assistance? Yes No Specify language _____