

SERVICE DATE
AUG 28 1996

BEFORE THE WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Application of)	
LOCUS CORPORATION)	DOCKET UT-960950
for an Order Authorizing the)	
Registration of Applicant as a)	AUTHORIZING
Telecommunications Company.)	REGISTRATION
.)	

On July 25, 1996, LOCUS Corporation filed an application for registration as a telecommunications company pursuant to RCW 80.36.350. The applicant proposes to offer resold direct dial long distance, inbound 800/888, and travel calling card services to the public.

LOCUS Corporation is a New York corporation, headquartered in Fort Lee, New Jersey. The corporation is wholly owned by Jason Chon. Rates, terms and conditions set forth in the proposed tariff are structured similarly to rates filed by other telecommunications companies for calls placed in the relevant market.

LOCUS Corporation has provided information showing that it possesses adequate financial resources, and technical competence to provide the proposed services. The applicant does not propose to collect advance payments or deposits from customers.

FINDINGS

THE COMMISSION FINDS:

1. LOCUS Corporation filed an application pursuant to the provisions of RCW 80.36.350 and the rules and regulations of the Commission for an order approving its application for registration as a telecommunications company.
2. As to form, the application filed herein, as supplemented and amended, meets the requirements of RCW 80.36.350 and the rules and regulations of the Commission adopted pursuant thereto.
3. The registration of LOCUS Corporation as a telecommunications company is not inconsistent with the public interest.
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.

O R D E R

THE COMMISSION ORDERS:

1. After the effective date of this order and subject to the conditions hereof, the application of LOCUS Corporation filed with the Commission pursuant to the provisions of RCW 80.36.350 requesting an order authorizing registration as a telecommunications company to provide service to the public in this state is approved.

2. The proposed tariff as filed on July 25, 1996, and amended in Exhibit G, attached to the application, is satisfactory. Prior to supplying service to the public as a telecommunications company, LOCUS Corporation shall file an initial tariff with the Commission identical to the amended Exhibit G of the application. The tariff shall bear an effective date not less than 30 days subsequent to the date of receipt by the Commission.

3. Registration of LOCUS Corporation as a telecommunications company shall not be construed as an endorsement of financial viability nor of the investment quality of any securities it may issue.

4. As a telecommunications company providing service to the public in this state, LOCUS Corporation is subject to the jurisdiction of this Commission under the provisions of Title 80 RCW and all rules and regulations of the Commission adopted pursuant thereto.

5. LOCUS Corporation shall not collect advance 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 28th day of August, 1996.


STEVE KING, Acting Secretary