

Section 1 - Bureau of Records and Hearing Services Completes

Docket No. 030104-TP Date Docketed: 01/30/2003 Title: Request for approval of merger procedure whereby Birch Telecom, Inc., parent company of Birch Telecom of the South, Inc. d/b/a Birch Telecom and d/b/a Birch (holder of ALEC Certificate No. 7552 and IXC Certificate No. 7610), will become a wholly owned subsidiary of Ionex Telecommunications, Inc.

Company: Birch Telecom of the South, Inc. d/b/a Birch Telec  
 Birch Telecom of the South, Inc. d/b/a Birch Telec

Official Filing Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
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Referred to: AUS CAF CCA (CMP) ECR EXT GCL MMS PIF  
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Section 2 - OPR Completes and returns to CCA in 10 workdays.

Time Schedule

Program/Module B1(j)

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FOR UPDATES CONTACT THE RECORDS SECTION: (850) 413-6770  
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<u>Staff Assignments</u>	
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Recommended assignments for hearing and/or deciding this case:

Full Commission \_\_\_\_\_ Commission Panel \_\_\_\_\_  
 Hearing Examiner \_\_\_\_\_ Staff \_\_\_\_\_

Date filed with CCA: \_\_\_\_\_

Initials: OPR \_\_\_\_\_  
 Staff Counsel \_\_\_\_\_

Section 3 - Chairman Completes

Assignments are as follows:

- Hearing Officer(s)

Commissioners						Hrg. Exam.	Staff
ALL	JB	DS	BZ	BD	DV		

- Prehearing Officer

Commissioners					ADM
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Where panels are assigned the senior Commissioner is Panel Chairman; the identical panel decides the case.  
 Where one Commissioner, a Hearing Examiner or a Staff Member is assigned the full Commission decides the case.

Approved: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Date: / /

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January 31, 2003

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Re: Docket No. 030104-TP

Dear Ms. Emmott:

This will acknowledge receipt of a request for approval of merger procedure whereby Birch Telecom, Inc., parent company of Birch Telecom of the South, Inc. d/b/a Birch Telecom and d/b/a Birch (holder of ALEC Certificate No. 7552 and IXC Certificate No. 7610), will become a wholly owned subsidiary of Ionex Telecommunications, Inc., which was filed in this office on January 30, 2003, and assigned the above-referenced docket number. Appropriate staff members will be advised.

Mediation may be available to resolve any dispute in this docket. If mediation is conducted, it does not affect a substantially interested person's right to an administrative hearing. For more information, contact the Office of General Counsel at (850) 413-6248 or FAX (850) 413-7180.

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