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Florida Public Service Commission
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RE: Amendment to Application of ACSI Local Switched Services, Inc.
Record #3477

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Dear Ms. Pruitt:

Attached is a copy of the Surety Bond, as required. This is an amendment to ACSI's application, which has been filed with the Commission. The original will follow by Federal Express today, to arrive at your office tomorrow.

Please feel free to contact me at 301-617-4291, or Andrea Pruitt, attorney for ACSI, at 202-955-9600, if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Erica Zuba
Regulatory Paralegal

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- EAG _____ cc: Andrea Pruitt, Esq.
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FOR REPLY AND REPORTING

INDEMNITY BOND
to the
PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF FLORIDA

BOND NO. B2746484

We, American Communications Services, Inc. on behalf of ACSI Local Switched Services, Inc. the principal and applicant for a CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORITY to resell long-distance telecommunications services within the State of Florida, and RELIANCE INSURANCE COMPANY of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, as an admitted surety insurer, bind ourselves unto the Public Service Commission of the State of Florida as Obligee, in the sum of \$5,000.00.

The conditions of the obligation are such that the principal, having been granted such CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORITY subject to the provision that said principal purchase this Indemnity Bond, and if said principal shall in all respects fully and faithfully comply with all applicable provisions of Florida State Law and reimburse customers of the principal for any prepayment or deposits they have made which the principal may be unable or unwilling to return to said customers as a result of insolvency or other business failure.

This bond shall take effect as of the date hereon and shall remain in force and effect until the surety is released from liability by the written order of the Public Service Commission, provided that the surety may cancel this Bond and be relieved of further liability hereunder by delivering thirty (30) days written notice to the Public Service Commission. Such cancellation shall not affect any liability incurred or accrued hereunder prior to the termination of said thirty (30) day period.

No right of action shall accrue on this Bond to or for the use of any person or corporation other than the Public Service Commission of the State of Florida named herein, its executors, administrators or successors.

Dated this 15th day of January 1998.

to be effective this 15th day of January 1998.

AMERICAN COMMUNICATIONS SERVICES, INC.

By: 

RELIANCE INSURANCE COMPANY

Surety

By: 

Maryjean Wilson,

DOCUMENT NUMBER-DATE
Attorney-in-Fact

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ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE, PHILADELPHIA, PENNSYLVANIA

POWER OF ATTORNEY

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, that RELIANCE SURETY COMPANY is a corporation duly organized under the laws of the State of Delaware, and that RELIANCE INSURANCE COMPANY and UNITED PACIFIC INSURANCE COMPANY, are corporations duly organized under the laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and that RELIANCE NATIONAL INDEMNITY COMPANY is a corporation duly organized under the laws of the State of Wisconsin (herein collectively called "the Companies") and that the Companies by virtue of signature and seals do hereby make, constitute and appoint Stanley Quirk, Kathleen Shanahan, Maryjean Wilson, Louis Salemo, Richard F. Smith, of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania their true and lawful Attorney(s)-in-Fact, to make, execute, seal and deliver for and on their behalf, and as their act and deed any and all bonds and undertakings of suretyship and to bind the Companies thereby as fully and to the same extent as if such bonds and undertakings and other writings obligatory in the nature thereof were signed by an Executive Officer of the Companies and sealed and attested by one other of such officers, and hereby ratifies and confirms all that their said Attorney(s)-in-Fact may do in pursuance hereof.

This Power of Attorney is granted under and by the authority of Article VII of the By-Laws of RELIANCE SURETY COMPANY, RELIANCE INSURANCE COMPANY, UNITED PACIFIC INSURANCE COMPANY, and RELIANCE NATIONAL INDEMNITY COMPANY which provisions are now in full force and effect, reading as follows:

ARTICLE VI - EXECUTION OF BONDS AND UNDERTAKINGS

1. The Board of Directors, the President, the Chairman of the Board, any Senior Vice President, any Vice President or Assistant Vice President or other officer designated by the Board of Directors shall have power and authority to let appoint Attorney(s)-in-Fact and to authorize them to execute on behalf of the Company, bonds and undertakings, recognizances, contracts of indemnity and other writings obligatory in the nature thereof, and (b) to remove any such Attorney(s)-in-Fact at any time and revoke the power and authority given to them.

2. Attorney(s)-in-Fact shall have power and authority, subject to the terms and limitations of the Power of Attorney issued to them, to execute deliver on behalf of the Company, bonds and undertakings, recognizances, contracts of indemnity and other writings obligatory in the nature thereof. The corporate seal is not necessary for the validity of any bonds and undertakings, recognizances, contracts of indemnity and other writings obligatory in the nature thereof.

3. Attorney(s)-in-Fact shall have power and authority to execute affidavits required to be attached to bonds, recognizances, contracts of indemnity or other conditional or obligatory undertakings and they shall also have power and authority to certify the financial statement of the Company and to cause the By-Laws of the Company or any article or section thereof.

This Power of Attorney is signed and sealed by the Companies under and by authority of the following resolution adopted by the Executive and Finance Committees of the Boards of Directors of Reliance Insurance Company, United Pacific Insurance Company and Reliance National Indemnity Company by Unanimous Consent dated as of February 28 1984 and by the Executive and Finance Committee of the Board of Directors of Reliance Surety Company by Unanimous Consent dated as of March 31, 1984.

"Resolved that the signatures of such directors and officers and the seal of the Company may be affixed to any such Power of Attorney or any certificate relating thereto by the said officers and any such Power of Attorney or certificate bearing such officers' signatures or the said seal shall be void and binding upon the Company and any such Power as executed and certified by the said officers and the said seal shall be void and binding upon the Company, in the future with respect to any bond or undertaking to which it is attached."

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Companies have caused these presents to be signed and their corporate seals to be hereto affixed, this June 16, 1986.



RELIANCE SURETY COMPANY
RELIANCE INSURANCE COMPANY
UNITED PACIFIC INSURANCE COMPANY
RELIANCE NATIONAL INDEMNITY COMPANY

Charles B. Schmeitz

STATE OF Pennsylvania }
COUNTY OF Philadelphia } ss.

On this, June 16, 1986, before me, Tammy Sue Kayati, personally appeared Charles B. Schmeitz, who acknowledged himself to be the Executive Vice President of the Reliance Surety Company, and the Vice President of Reliance Insurance Company, United Pacific Insurance Company, and Reliance National Indemnity Company and that as such, being authorized to do so, executed the foregoing instrument for the purpose therein contained by signing the name of the corporation by himself as its duly authorized officer.

In witness whereof, I hereunto set my hand and official seal.

NOTARIAL SEAL
TAMMY SUE KAYATI, Notary Public
City of Philadelphia, Phila. County
My Commission Expires July 20 1988



Tammy Sue Kayati

Notary Public in and for the State of Pennsylvania
Residing at Philadelphia

I, Anita Zippert, Secretary of RELIANCE SURETY COMPANY, RELIANCE INSURANCE COMPANY, UNITED PACIFIC INSURANCE COMPANY and RELIANCE NATIONAL INDEMNITY COMPANY do hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of the Power of Attorney executed by said Companies, which is still in full force and effect.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seals of said Companies this 15 day of January 19 98

Anita Zippert

Secretary

