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DATE:

June 11, 1996

TO:

Blanco Bayo, Director, Division of Records and Reporting

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FROM:

Toni J. McCoy, Regulatory Analyst, Division of Communications

SUBJECT: Open Docket No. 980558-TI, Revised IXC Application

Attached is a revised IXC Application with original signature pages and additional attachments. I marked the revised pages.

Please file with the original docket file. Thank you.

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# APPLICATION FORM FOR AUTHORITY TO PROVIDE INTEREXCUANGE INTEREXCUANGE IELECOMMUNICATION SERVICE WITHIN THE STATE OF FLOREDA

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### \*\* FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION \*\*

# DIVISION OF COMMUNICATIONS BUREAU OF SERVICE EVALUATION

# APPLICATION FORM for

# INTEREXCHANGE TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICE WITHIN THE STATE OF FLORIDA

#### Instructions

- A. This form is used for an original application for a certificate and for approval of sale, assignment or transfer of an existing certificate. In case of a sale, assignment or transfer, the information provided shall be for the purchaser, assignee or transferee (See Appendix A).
- B. Respond to each item requested in the application and appendices. If an item is not applicable, please explain why.
  - C. Use a separate sheet for each answer which will not fit the allotted space.
  - D. If you have questions about completing the form, contact:

Florida Public Service Commission Division of Communications Bureau of Service Evaluation 2540 Shumard Oak Blvd., Gerald Gunter Building Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0850 (850) 413-6600

E. Once completed, submit the original and six (6) copies of this form along with a non-refundable application fee of \$250.00 to:

> Florida Public Service Commission Division of Administration 2540 Shumard Oak Blvd., Gerald Gunter Building Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0850 (850) 413-6251

Select what type of business your company will be conducting (check all that apply):

 Facilities based carrier - company owns and operates or plans to own and operate telecommunications switches and transmission facilities in Florida.

- () Operator Service Provider company provides or plans to provide alternative operator services for IXCs; or toll operator services to call aggregator locations; or clearinghouse services to bill such calls.
- () Reseller company has or plans to have one or more switches but primarily leases the transmission facilities of other carriers. Bills its own customer base for services used.
- C) Switchless Rebiller company has no switch or transmission facilities but may have a billing computer. Aggregates traffic to obtain bulk discounts from underlying carrier. Rebills end users at a rate above its discount but generally below the rate end users would pay for unaggregated traffic.
- () Multi-Location Discount Aggregator company contracts with unaffiliated entities to obtain bulk/volume discounts under multi-location discount plans from certain underlying carriers. Then offers the resold service by enrolling unaffiliated customers.
- () Prepaid Debit Card Provider any person or entity that purchases 800 access from an underlying carrier or unaffiliated entity for use with prepaid debit card service and/or encodes the cards with personal identification numbers.

- This is an application for (check one):
  - Original Authority (New company).
  - () Approval of Transfer (To another certificated company).
  - () Approval of Assignment of existing certificate (To an uncertificated company).
  - () Approval for transfer of control (To another certificated company).
- 3. Name of corporation, partnership, cooperative, joint venture or sole proprietorship:

  Preferred Voice, Incorporated
- Name under which the applicant will do business (fictitious name, etc.):

Preferred Voice, Inc.

National address (including street name & number, post office box, city, state and zip code).

> Suite 570 6500 Greenville Ave Dallas, TX, 75206

Florida address (including street name & number, post office box, city, state and 6. zip code):

2111 N15th Street Tampa, FL 33605

- Structure of organization; check which applies.
  - () Individual

() Corporation

() Foreign Corporation () Foreign Partnership

() General Partnership () Other,

() Limited Partnership

- If applicant is an individual or partnership, please give name, title and address 8. of sole proprietor or partners.
  - (a) Provide proof of compliance with the foreign limited partnership statute (Chapter 620.169, FS), if applicable.
  - (b) Indicate if the individual or any of the partners have previously been:
    - (1) adjudged bankrupt, mentally incompetent, or found guilty of any felony or of any crime, or whether such actions may result from pending proceedings.

(2) officer, director, partner or stockholder in any other Florida certificated telephone company. If yes, give name of company and relationship. If no longer associated with company, give reason why not.

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# 9. If incorporated, please give:

(a) Proof from the Florida Secretary of State that the applicant has authority to operate in Florida.

Corporate charter number:

APPLIED

FOR Trnamitted 28 April 1998

- (b) Name and address of the company's Florida registered agent.
- (c) Provide proof of compliance with the fictitious name statute (Chapter 865.09 FS), if applicable.

Fictitious name registration number:

- (d) Indicate if any of the officers, directors, or any of the ten largest stockholders have previously been:
  - adjudged bankrupt, mentally incompetent, or found guilty of any felony or of any crime, or whether such actions may result from pending proceedings.

No

(2) officer, director, partner or stockholder in any other Florida certificated telephone company. If yes, give name of company and relationship. If no longer associated with company, give reason why not.

Who will serve as liaison with the Commission in regard to (please give name. 10. title, address and telephone number): The application; Mary Merritt VP Finance &CFO Preferred Voice, Inc. 6500 Greenville Rve Ste 570 Dallas, TX 75206 (214) 265-9580 FAX 2214-265-9963 Official Point of Contact for the ongoing operations of the (c) Tariff: Same Complaints/Inquiries from customers; (d) Same List the states in which the applicant: Has operated as an interexchange carrier. Has applications pending to be certificated as an interexchange (b) carrier. Is certificated to operate as an interexchange carrier. Texas Rule Nos. 25-24.471.

	(d)	Has been denied authority to operate as an interexchange carrier and the circumstances involved.
	2.1	II/A
	<b>.</b>	Has had regulatory penalties imposed for violations of telecommunications statutes and the circumstances involved.  No  Has been involved in civil court proceedings with an interexchange carrier, local exchange company or other telecommunications entity and the circumstances involved.  No
12.		ices will the applicant offer to other certificated telephone companies: ich applies.
	()1	Facilities. () Operators.  Billing and Collection. () Sales.  Maintenance.  Other:
		Not Applicable
13.	Do you ha	ave a marketing program?
	Yes	
14.	Will your	marketing program:
	() () ()	Pay commissions? Offer sales franchises? Offer multi-level sales incentives? Offer other sales incentives?

- Explain any of the offers checked in question 14 (To whom, what amount, type
  of franchise, etc.).
   Will Sign agency agreements w/ existing resellers
- 16. Who will receive the bills for your service? To (Check all that apply)

() Residential customers.

() Business customers.

() PATS providers.

() PATS station end-users.

() Hotels & motels.

() Hotel & motel guests.

() Universities.

() Univ. dormitory residents.

(K) Other: (specify) Cell Phone Users

- 17. Please provide the following (if applicable):
  - (a) Will the name of your company appear on the bill for your services, and if not who will the billed party contact to ask questions about the bill (provide name and phone number) and how is this information provided?

(b) Name and address of the firm who will bill for your service. Preferred Voice, Inc. 6500 Greenville Ave Ste 570 Dallas, TX 75206

- Please provide all available documentation demonstrating that the applicant has the following capabilities to provide interexchange telecommunications service in Florida.
  - A. Financial capability.

Regarding the showing of financial capability, the following applicate.

The application should contain the applicant's financial statements for the most recent 3 years, including:

- 1. the balance sheet
- 2. income statement
- 3. statement of retained earnings.

Further, a written explanation, which can include supporting documentation, regarding the following should be provided to show financial capability.

- Please provide documentation that the applicant has sufficient financial capability to provide the requested service in the geographic area proposed to be served.

  Please See Attachment F
- Please provide documentation that the applicant has sufficient financial capability to maintain the requested service.
- Please provide documentation that the applicant has sufficient financial capability to meet its lease or ownership obligations.

NOTE: This documentation may include, but is not limited to, financial statements, a projected profit and loss statement, credit references, credit bureau reports, and descriptions of business relationships with financial institutions.

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If available, the financial statements should be audited financial statements.

If the applicant does not have audited financial statements, it shall be so stated. The unaudited financial statements should then be signed by the applicant's chief executive officer and chief financial officer. The signatures should affirm that the financial statements are true and

correct.

B. Managerial capability.

Please See Attachment E

C. Technical capability.

Please See Attachment E

 Please submit the proposed tariff under which the company plans to begin operation. Use the format required by Commission Rule 25-24.455 (example enclosed).

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The	applicant will provide the following interexchange carrier services
	eck all that apply):
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No.	Method of access is FGD
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	MTS with route specific rates per minute
_	Method of source is EGA
	Method of access is FGB
_	Method of access is FGD
_	Method of access is FGB Method of access is FGD Method of access is 800
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×	MTS with statewide flat rates per minute (i.e. not distance sensitive)
×	Method of access is FGA
_	Method of access is FGB
	Method of access is FGD
<u>x</u> _ <u>x</u>	Method of access is 800
_	MTS for pay telephone service providers
_	Block-of-time calling plan (Reach out Florida, Ring America, etc.).
-	800 Service (Toll free)
=	WATS type service (Bulk or volume discount)
_	Method of access is via dedicated facilities
_	Method of access is via switched facilities
-	Private Line services (Channel Services)
	(For ex. 1.544 mbs., DS-3, etc.)

Travel Service     Method of access is 950     Method of access is 800  900 service     Operator Services     Available to presubscribed customers     Available to non presubscribed customers (for example to patrons of hotels, students in universities, patients in hospitals.  Available to inmates	
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Available to inmates	4.4
Services included are:	
Station assistance Person to Person assistance Directory assistance Operator verify and interrupt Conference Calling	

 What does the end user dial for each of the interexchange carrier services that were checked in services included (above).

1-888-225=1672/ 1-813-386-0211

22. \_ Other:

## \*\* APPLICANT ACKNOWLEDGEMENT STATEMENT \*\*\*

- REGULATORY ASSESSMENT FEE: I understand that all telephone companies
  must pay a regulatory assessment fee in the amount of 15 of one percent of its
  gross operating revenue derived from intrastate business. Regardless of the gross
  operating revenue of a company, a minimum annual assessment fee of \$50 is
  required.
- 2. GROSS RECEIPTS TAX: I understand that all telephone companies must pay a gross receipts tax of two and one-half percent on all intra and interstate business.
- 3. SALES TAX: I understand that a seven percent sales tax must be paid on intra and interstate revenues.
- APPLICATION FEE: A non-refundable application fee of \$250.00 must be submitted with the application.
- 5. RECEIPT AND UNDERSTANDING OF RULES: I acknowledge receipt and understanding of the Florida Public Service Commission's Rules and Orders relating to my provision of interexchange telephone service in Florida. I also understand that it is my responsibility to comply with all current and future Commission requirements regarding interexchange service.
- 6. ACCURACY OF APPLICATION: By my signature below, I the undersigned owner or officer of the named utility in the application, attest to the accuracy of the information contained in this application and associated attachments. I have read the foregoing and declare that to the best of my knowledge and belief, the information is a true and correct statement. Further, I am aware that pursuant to Chapter 837.06, Florida Statutes, "Whoever knowingly makes a false statement in writing with the intent to mislead a public servant in the performance of his official duty shall be guilty of a misdemeanor of the second degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082 and s. 775.083".

UTILITY OFFICIAL:	
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Signature	Date
VP Finance	214) 265-9580
Title	Telephone No.

FORM PSC/CMU 31 (1256), Required by Commission Rule Nos. 25-24,471, 25-24,473, and 25-24,480(2).

# \*\* APPENDIX A \*\*

# CERTIFICATE TRANSFER STATEMENT

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### \*\* APPENDIX B \*\*

## CUSTOMER DEPOSITS AND ADVANCE PAYMENTS

A statement of how the Commission can be assured of the security of the customer's deposits and advance payments may be responded to in one of the following ways (applicant please theck one):

- (x) The applicant will not collect deposits nor will it collect payments for service more than one month in advance.
- ( ) The applicant will file with the Commission and maintain a surety bond in an amount equal to the current balance of deposits and advance payments in excess of one month. (Bond must accompany application.)

UTILITY C	1	
	Mary J. Menitt	5/21/98 Date
	VP Finance	214) 265-9580
	Title	Telephone No.

# \*\* APPENDIX C \*\*

# INTRASTATE NETWORK

14 57 1.	POP: Add	dresses where k	ocated, and indicate	if owned or leased.	
	1) <u></u> 4	te 900 1 00 N Tampa St ampa, FL 3360	2) 1.2		
ne die	120	ampa, FL 3300	2-4707	en e	
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2.	SWITCHI or leased.	SS: Address w	here located, by typ	e of switch, and indicate if own	ed
	1)		2)		
	N/A				
	3)		4)		
3.	TRANSMI (microwave	ISSION FACE c, fiber, copper	LITTES: Pop-to-P	op facilities by type of faciliti indicate if owned or leased.	es
	POP-	to-POP	TYPE	OWNERSHIP	
	1)	N/A			
	2)				

 ORIGINATING SERVICE: Please provide the list of exchanges where you are proposing to provide originating service within thirty (30) days after the effective date of the certificate (Appendix D).

See Attached List A

 TRAFFIC RESTRICTIONS: Please explain how the applicant will comply with the EAEA requirements contained in Commission Rule 25-24.471 (4) (a) (copy enclosed).

All access to AF system is speed dialed # 0+/0- will go direct to ILEC

- 6. CURRENT FLORIDA INTRASTATE SERVICES: Applicant has ( ) or has not ( ) previously provided intrastate telecommunications in Florida. If the answer is has, fully describe the following:
  - a) What services have been provided and when did these services begin? Inter and Intra long distance services.
    800 Service
  - b) If the services are not currently offered, when were they discontinued? 1-31-97

UTILITY OFFICIAL:

May & mendt	5/21/98
Signature	Date
VP Finance	214) 265-9580

Telephone No.

FCRM PSCICMU 31 (1296), Recurred by Commission Rule Nos. 25-24.471, 25-24.473, and 25-24.480(2). Title

### Originated Exchanges List A

Mulberry 425 428

Zephyrhills 713 715 775 779 780 782 783 788

Tarpon Springs 916 934 937 938 939 942 943 944 947

Tampa North (Land O'Lakes, Lufz, Wesley Chapel) 235 907 909 929 948 949 973 991 995 996

Tampa West (Oldsmar, Odessa) 814 818 852 854 855 891 920 926

New Port Richey
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375 804 809 816 836 841 843 845 847 849
376 807 810 817

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442	457	480	531	560	586	709	5 734	785	799
443	460	507	532	562	587	710	735	786	970
445	461	515	535	580	- 588	712	736	787	981
446	462	517	. 536	581	593	724	738	789	
447	464	523	538	582	595	725	771	791	
448	468	524	539	584	596	726	781	796	
419	444	462							

# Preferred Voice, Inc. Balance Sheet-Unaudited As of March 31, 1998

		Mar 31, '98
	SETS	
	Current Assets	
	Checking/Sovings 1000 - Cash Accounts	82,284.79
	Total Checking/Savings	82,284.79
	Accounts Receivable 1050 - Accounts Receivable	0.00
	Total Accounts Receivable	0.00
	Other Current Assets	•
	1300 - Prepaid Expenses	800,000.00
CVV 1	Total Other Current Assets	800,000.00
<b>P.M.</b>	Total Current Assets	882,284.79
	Fixed Assets	TO STORY METERS
	1400 · Fixed Assets	217,704.86
	Total Fized Assets	217,704.86
	Other Assets 1600 - Deferred Contract Costs 1900 - Deferred Stock Issuance Costs	66,951.50 68,241.00
	1700 - Loan Costs	20,223,54
	1760 - Loan Costs - Amortization	-17,254.50
	1800 - Deposits	84,409.75
, 1	Total Other Assets	222,571.29
TOT	AL ASSETS	1,322,660.84
	ILITIES & EQUITY  Jabilities  Current Liabilities	Total Control Control
	Accounts Payable	
	2000 - Accounts Payable	351,813.38
	Total Accounts Payable	351,813.38
	Other Current Liabilities	
	2100 - Payroll Liabilities 2300 - Accrued Expenses	6,785.57
	2400 - Federal Excise Tax	437,804.63
	2500 - State and Local Taxes	7,024.95 6,300.65
	2600 - Notes Payable	2.310.112.33
	Total Other Current Liabilities	-
		2,768,028.13
	Total Current Liabilities	3,119,841.51
To	otel Liabilities	3,119,841.51
E	quity	
	3200 · Common Stock	5,950.42
	3300 - Additional Paid in Capital	3,173,469.38
	3500 - Retained Earnings	-4,716,486.31
	3700 - Treasury Stock	-1,868.33
	Net Income	-258,345.73
To	tal Equity	-1,797,280.57
OTAL	L LIABILITIES & EQUITY	1,322,560.54

These financial statements are true and accurate as of the date so stated above.

Chairman of the Board

VP Finance

# Preferred Voice, Inc. Profit and Loss-Unaudited April 1997 through March 1998

	Apr '97 - Mar '98
Ordinary Income/Expense	
Income 4000 - Income	107,000.00
Total Income	107,000.00
Cost of Goods Sold	
6000 - Cost of Goods Sold	2,318.41
Total COGS	2,318.41
Gross Profit	104,681.59
Expense	
6035 - Amortization	49,203,54
6076 - Bad Debt	22,443.30
6090 Bank Fees	262.95
6090 · Computer Supplies	149.00
6100 - Consulting Services	33,891.67
6200 - Corporate Filing Fees	3,163.39
6225 - Depreciation	24,602.61
6250 · Dues & Subscriptions	466.00
6300 · Insurance	4,803,92
6326 - Interest	
6360 - Legal	162,700.72
6400 - Marketing	33,202.62
	12,774.91
6425 - Meal & Entertainment	2,498.18
6450 - Miscellaneous	1,364.22
6475 - Office Supplies	-882.19
6600 - Penalties	-4,147.14
6625 - Postage & Delivery	1,080.40
6700 - Rent	64,688.63
6725 - Repairs/Maintenance	940.44
6730 - Salaries Expense	125,667.73
6760 - Sales Expense	462.87
6760 - Shareholder Related Expenses	1,090,91
6765 - Storage	257.00
6770 - Taxes	16,029.74
6775 - Telephone	12.850.71
6800 - Travel	4,747.16
6850 - G/A Reimbursement-Brite	-8,567.75
6909 - Uncategorized Expenses	0.00
Total Expense	566 345 74
Net Ordinary Income	-461,664.15
Other Income/Expense	
Other Income 7000 - Other Income	218,609 92
Total Other Income	218,609.92
Other Expense	
8000 - Other Expense	10.891.50
Total Other Expense	10.891.50
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These financial statements are true and accurate as of the date stated above .--

Chairman of the Board

VP Finance

#### Attachment F

The Company began business in 1994 and became a public company in August of 1995. The Company's stock is currently traded on the OTC Bulletin Board.

In order to sustain its development activities in voice recognition telecommunications, the Company to date has been funded by a venture capital group. The Company anticipates continued capital infusion from this group as well as revenues from its services to be provided in Florida as well as Texas. Audited financial statements are not currently available but are in the process of being prepared by our auditors and will be completed within the next four weeks.

# ATTACHMENT E - Managerial and Technical Expertise

G. Ray Miller, a co-founder, Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer of the Company, has over 36 years of business experience, primarily in the telecommunications industry. He was the founder and Chief Executive Officer of International Telecharge, Inc., an operator services company, where, in conjunction with Dallas-based Voice Control Systems, Inc., he helped pioneer the operator services industry's first robotics operator using voice technology. Mr. Miller also conceived and co-founded US Telephone, Inc., a long-distance telecommunications carrier and a predecessor to Sprint. In addition, he was instrumental in the early marketing of MCI's Execunet service.

Mary G. Merritt, a co-founder, Secretary/Treasurer and Vice President of Finance of the Company has over 15 years of financial experience which she gained working as a tax expert with small and medium-sized companies positioned to go public. Mrs. Merritt brings to the Company knowledge of strong financial control systems including planning, budgeting, accounting, performance reporting and analysis. Mrs. Merritt has worked primarily with companies in the high-tech environment and the oil and gas industry. She has served as President of Star of Texas, Inc., Controller of United MediCorp, Inc. and was Senior Manager of Entrepreneurial Services at Ernst & Whinney. Mrs. Merritt is a Certified Public Accountant.

Robert R. Williams, has more than 25 years experience in System Design and Development. He has delivered telecommunication application software to the market for more than 20 years. Mr. Williams brings strength and experience in understanding and applying leading-edge technology within the telecommunication industry. He has worked in the Central Research Laboratory at Texas Instruments as well as being on the development team that delivered the world's first commercially available voice-mail system for VMX, Inc. Mr. Williams has also worked with Voice Control Systems, Inc. and served as Vice President of Engineering for ActionFax, Inc. The past several years, Mr. Williams has owned and operated Business Hotlines, a software development company headquartered in Dallas. Texas.

Thomas C. Schnepp has over 25 years in telecommunications development and management. He has provided leaderhip for the desing and installation of the world's first fiber optic based telecommunications back-bone in Saudi Arabia as well as the governmental communications and control system in Thailand. Domestically, he has provided leadership and guidance in the growth of the independent long distance field with such companies as U.S. Tel (now SPRINT); ITI (now ENCOR); USLD; Intellicall. TelEquip Labs; MCl. In addition, he was responsible for the conceptual definition of the future growth requirements for the local exchange system serving the island nation of Jamaica.