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May 23, 2000

Florida Public Service Commission
Division of Records and Reporting
2540 Shumard Oak Blvd.
Tallahassee, FL 32399-0850

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RE: Application of TDS Long Distance Corporation for Authority to Provide Telephone Service in the State of Florida – Long Distance Resale

TDS Long Distance Corporation respectfully requests the Florida Public Service Commission for authority to provide long distance resale in the State of Florida. Please find attached the original and 6 copies of the completed application to provide these services and the required \$250.00 filing fee.

In addition, a copy of this memo as well as a self-addressed stamped envelope has been included to be returned as confirmation of your receipt of this application.

TDS Long Distance Corporation is anxious to provide a competitive service in the State of North Carolina and certainly would appreciate the timely processing of this application.

If you have any questions about the enclosed application, please contact me at 608-664-4168. Thanks.

Respectfully Submitted,

Joel Dohmeier
AEC

Joel Dohmeier
Manager – External Relations

Attachments

Check received with filing and forwarded to Fiscal for deposit. Fiscal to forward a copy of check to RAR with proof of deposit.

Initials of person who forwarded check:

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**** FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION ****

DIVISION OF TELECOMMUNICATIONS
BUREAU OF CERTIFICATION AND SERVICE EVALUATION

**Application Form for Authority to Provide
Interexchange Telecommunications Service
Between Points Within the State of Florida**

Instructions

- ◆ This form is used as an application for an original certificate and for approval of assignment or transfer of an existing certificate. In the case of an assignment or transfer, the information provided shall be for the assignee or transferee (See Appendix A).
- ◆ Print or Type all responses to each item requested in the application and appendices. If an item is not applicable, please explain why.
- ◆ Use a separate sheet for each answer which will not fit the allotted space.
- ◆ 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 Records and Reporting
2540 Shumard Oak Blvd.
Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0850
(850) 413-6770**

Note: No filing fee is required for an assignment or transfer of an existing certificate to another certificated company.

- ◆ If you have questions about completing the form, contact:

**Florida Public Service Commission
Division of Telecommunications
Bureau of Certification and Service Evaluation
2540 Shumard Oak Blvd.
Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0850
(850) 413-6600**

1. This is an application for \checkmark (check one):

(x) **Original certificate (new company).**

() **Approval of transfer of existing certificate:**

Example, a certificated company purchases an existing certificated company and desires to retain the authority of both certificates.

() **Approval of assignment of existing certificate:**

Example, a non-certificated company purchases an existing company and desires to retain the certificate of authority rather than apply for a new certificate.

() **Approval of transfer of control:**

Example, a company purchases 51% of a certificated company. The Commission must approve the new controlling entity.

2. Name of company:

TDS Long Distance Corporation

3. Name under which applicant will do business (fictitious name, etc.):

TDS Long Distance Corporation

4. Official mailing address (including street name & number, post office box, city, state, zip code):

301 South Westfield Road

P.O. Box 5158

Madison, WI 53705

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

Quincy Telephone Company
D/B/A TDS Telecom - Quincy
107 W. Franklin St.

P.O. Box 189
Quincy, FL 32351-0189

Toll Free Number: 1-800-586-8423

6. Select 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.
 - 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 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.

7. Structure of organization;

- | | |
|--|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Individual | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Corporation |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Foreign Corporation | <input type="checkbox"/> Foreign Partnership |
| <input type="checkbox"/> General Partnership | <input type="checkbox"/> Limited Partnership |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ | |

8. If individual, provide:

Name: _____

Title: _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Telephone No.: _____ Fax No.: _____

Internet E-Mail Address: _____

Internet Website Address: _____

9. **If incorporated in Florida**, provide proof of authority to operate in Florida:

(a) **The Florida Secretary of State Corporate Registration number:**
TDS Long Distance is incorporated in Delaware.

10. **If foreign corporation**, provide proof of authority to operate in Florida:

(a) **The Florida Secretary of State Corporate Registration number:**
Attached is a copy of Secretary of State Corporate registration
number F00000001622.

11. **If using fictitious name-d/b/a**, provide proof of compliance with fictitious name statute (Chapter 865.09, FS) to operate in Florida:

(a) **The Florida Secretary of State fictitious name registration number:** _____

12. **If a limited liability partnership**, provide proof of registration to operate in Florida:

(a) **The Florida Secretary of State registration number:** _____

13. **If a partnership**, provide name, title and address of all partners and a copy of the partnership agreement.

Name: _____

Title: _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Telephone No.: _____ Fax No.: _____

Internet E-Mail Address: _____

Internet Website Address: _____

14. **If a foreign limited partnership**, provide proof of compliance with the foreign limited partnership statute (Chapter 620.169, FS), if applicable.

(a) **The Florida registration number:** _____

15. Provide **F.E.I. Number** (if applicable): N/A- TDS Long Distance does not have any employees.

16. Provide the following (if applicable):

(a) Will the name of your company appear on the bill for your services?
() Yes () No

(b) If not, who will bill for your services?

Name: _____

Title: _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Telephone No.: _____ Fax No.: _____

(c) How is this information provided?

17. Who will receive the bills for your service?

() Residential Customers
() PATs providers
() Hotels & motels

() Business Customers
() PATs station end-users
() Hotel & motel guests

() Universities () Universities dormitory residents
() Other: (specify) _____

18. Who will serve as liaison to the Commission with regard to the following?

(a) The application:

Name: Joel Dohmeier

Title: Manager - External Relations

Address: 301 South Westfield Road

City/State/Zip: Madison, WI 53705

Telephone No.: 608-664-4168 **Fax No.:** 608-664-4185

Internet E-Mail Address: joel.dohmeier@tdstelecom.com

Internet Website Address: _____

(b) Official point of contact for the ongoing operations of the company:

Name: _____

Title: _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Telephone No.: _____ **Fax No.:** _____

Internet E-Mail Address: _____

Internet Website Address: _____

(c) Complaints/Inquiries from customers:

Name: Tom McCabe

Title: Manager - External Relations

Address: 107 W. Franklin Street, P.O. Box 189

City/State/Zip: Quincy, FL 32351-0189

Telephone No.: 850-875-5207 **Fax No.:** 850-875-5225

Internet E-Mail Address: tom.mccabe@tdstelecom.com

Internet Website Address: _____

19. List the states in which the applicant:

(a) **has operated as an interexchange telecommunications company.**

TDS Long Distance Corporation is currently seeking approval to provide
interexchange service in all 28 of TDS Telecom's states of operations.

(b) **has applications pending to be certificated as an interexchange telecommunications company.**

See response to #19(a).

(c) **is certificated to operate as an interexchange telecommunications company.**

See response to #19(a).

(d) **has been denied authority to operate as an interexchange telecommunications company and the circumstances involved.**

None.

(e) **has had regulatory penalties imposed for violations of telecommunications statutes and the circumstances involved.**

None.

- (f) has been involved in civil court proceedings with an interexchange carrier, local exchange company or other telecommunications entity, and the circumstances involved.

None.

20. Indicate if any of the officers, directors, or any of the ten largest stockholders have previously been:

- (a) adjudged bankrupt, mentally incompetent, or found guilty of any felony or of any crime, or whether such actions may result from pending proceedings. If so, please explain.

None.

- (b) an 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.

TDS TELECOM is the holding company of Quincy Telephone Company, d/b/a TDS TELECOM - Quincy. Jerry W. Masters and David A. Wittwer are on the Board of Directors for Quincy Telephone. Jerry W. Masters, David A. Wittwer and Phyllis A. Conaster are officers for Quincy Telephone.

21. The applicant will provide the following interexchange carrier services (check all that apply):

a. _____ **MTS with distance sensitive per minute rates**

- Method of access is FGA
- Method of access is FGB
- Method of access is FGD
- Method of access is 800

b. _____ **MTS with route specific rates per minute**

- Method of access is FGA
- Method of access is FGB
- Method of access is FGD
- Method of access is 800

c. X **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
- Method of access is 800

d. _____ **MTS for pay telephone service providers**

e. _____ **Block-of-time calling plan (Reach Out Florida, Ring America, etc.).**

f. X **800 service (toll free)**

g. _____ **WATS type service (bulk or volume discount)**

- Method of access is via dedicated facilities
- Method of access is via switched facilities

h. _____ **Private line services (Channel Services)
(For ex. 1.544 mbs., DS-3, etc.)**

i. _____ **Travel service**

- Method of access is 950
- Method of access is 800

j. _____ **900 service**

k. X **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

i. Services included are:

- Station assistance
- Person-to-person assistance
- Directory assistance
- Operator verify and interrupt
- Conference calling

22. Submit the proposed tariff under which the company plans to begin operation. Use the format required by Commission Rule 25-24.485 (example enclosed).

23. Submit the following:

A. Financial capability.

The application should contain the applicant's audited financial statements for the most recent 3 years. If the applicant does not have audited financial statements, it shall so be stated.

The unaudited financial statements should be signed by the applicant's chief executive officer and chief financial officer affirming that the financial statements are true and correct and should include:

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

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.*

Further, the following (which includes supporting documentation) should be provided:

1. **A written explanation** that the applicant has sufficient financial capability to provide the requested service in the geographic area proposed to be served.
2. **A written explanation** that the applicant has sufficient financial capability to maintain the requested service.
3. **A written explanation** that the applicant has sufficient financial capability to meet its lease or ownership obligations.

B. Managerial capability; give resumes of employees/officers of the company that would indicate sufficient managerial experiences of each.

C. Technical capability; give resumes of employees/officers of the company that would indicate sufficient technical experiences or indicate what company has been contracted to conduct technical maintenance.

**** APPLICANT ACKNOWLEDGMENT STATEMENT ****

1. **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.
4. **APPLICATION FEE:** I understand that a non-refundable application fee of \$250.00 must be submitted with the application.

UTILITY OFFICIAL:

<u>W. D. P. Jones</u>	<u>May 23, 2000</u>
Signature	Date
Assistant Treasurer	608-664-4376
Title	Telephone No.
Address: <u>301 South Westfield Road</u>	608-664-4809
<u>Madison, WI 53717</u>	Fax No.

ATTACHMENTS:

- A - CERTIFICATE SALE, TRANSFER, OR ASSIGNMENT STATEMENT
- B - CUSTOMER DEPOSITS AND ADVANCE PAYMENTS
- C - CURRENT FLORIDA INTRASTATE NETWORK
- D - AFFIDAVIT

CERTIFICATE TRANSFER, OR ASSIGNMENT STATEMENT

I, (Name) Not applicable.

(Title) _____ of

(Name of Company)

and current holder of Florida Public Service Commission Certificate Number

_____, have reviewed this application and join in the petitioner's request for a:

() transfer

() assignment

of the above-mentioned certificate.

UTILITY OFFICIAL:

D. D. P. Jones
Signature

May 23, 2000
Date

Assistant Treasurer
Title

(608) 664-4376
Telephone No.

Address: 301 South Westfield Road
Madison, WI 53717

(608) 664-4809
Fax No.

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 provided in one of the following ways (applicant, please check one):

- () The applicant will **not** collect deposits nor will it collect payments for service more than one month in advance.

- () The applicant intends to collect deposits and/or advance payments for more than one month's service and will file and maintain a surety bond with the Commission in an amount equal to the current balance of deposits and advance payments in excess of one month.
(The bond must accompany the application.)

UTILITY OFFICIAL:

<u>D. D. P. Jones</u>	<u>May 23, 2000</u>
Signature	Date
<u>Assistant Treasurer</u>	<u>608-664-4376</u>
Title	Telephone No.
Address: <u>301 South Westfield Road</u>	<u>608-664-4809</u>
<u>Madison, WI 53717</u>	Fax No.
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

CURRENT FLORIDA INTRASTATE SERVICES

Applicant has () or has not (X) 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?

b) If the services are not currently offered, when were they discontinued?

UTILITY OFFICIAL:

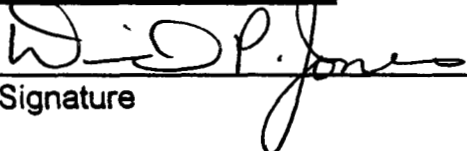
<u>D. D. P. Jones</u>	<u>May 23, 2000</u>
Signature	Date
<u>Assistant Treasurer</u>	<u>608-664-4376</u>
Title	Telephone No.
<u>Address: 301 South Westfield Road</u>	<u>608-664-4809</u>
<u>Madison, WI 53717</u>	Fax No.

AFFIDAVIT

By my signature below, I, the undersigned officer, attest to the accuracy of the information contained in this application and attached documents and that the applicant has the technical expertise, managerial ability, and financial capability to provide alternative local exchange company service in the State of Florida. I have read the foregoing and declare that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the information is true and correct. I attest that I have the authority to sign on behalf of my company and agree to comply, now and in the future, with all applicable Commission rules and orders.

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:

	<u>May 27, 2000</u>
Signature	Date
<u>Assistant Treasurer</u>	<u>608-664-4376</u>
Title	Telephone No.
<u>Address: 301 South Westfield Road</u>	<u>608-664-4809</u>
<u>Madison, WI 53717</u>	Fax No.

TDS LONG DISTANCE CORPORATION
Application to Provide Interexchange Service
State of Florida

Submit the proposed tariff under which the company plans to begin operation.

Attached is a copy of TDS Long Distance Corporation's tariff.

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Financial capability

–application should contain the applicant’s audited financial statements for the most recent 3 years

–written explanation that the applicant has sufficient financial capability to provide the requested service in the geographic area proposed to be served

–written explanation that the applicant has sufficient financial capability to maintain the requested service

–written explanation that the applicant has sufficient financial capability to meet its lease or ownership obligations

TDS Long Distance Corporation is a newly formed business and therefore does not have any current financial statements. TDS Long Distance is a subsidiary of and will be solely financed by TDS Telecommunications Corporation (TDS TELECOM). TDS TELECOM is a subsidiary of Telephone & Data Systems, Inc. Attached is a copy of Telephone & Data Systems’ 1999 Annual Report.

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Managerial capability; give resumes of employees/officers of the company that would indicate sufficient managerial experiences of each.

The officers of TDS Long Distance Corporation are employees of TDS TELECOM. Below is a list of the officers of TDS Long Distance Corporation. All the officers have been employed at TDS TELECOM for at least the past eight years and have a combined total of over 100 years in the telecommunications industry..

TDS TELECOM is a holding company for 106 local exchange carriers located in 28 states. TDS TELECOM was formed in 1969.

James Barr, III
President

Jerry W. Masters
Vice President

David A. Wittwer
Secretary/Treasurer

John R. Erpenbach
Assistant Secretary

Phyllis A. Conaster
Assistant Secretary

David P. Jones
Assistant Treasurer

IDS LONG DISTANCE CORPORATION
Application to Provide Interexchange Service
State of Florida

Technical capability, give resumes of employees/officers of the company that would indicate sufficient technical experiences or indicate what company has been contracted to conduct technical maintenance.

See response to managerial capability question above.



FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF STATE
Katherine Harris
Secretary of State

March 23, 2000

TAMARA ODOM
CSC NETWORKS
TALLAHASSEE, FL

Qualification documents for TDS LONG DISTANCE CORPORATION were filed on March 23, 2000 and assigned document number F00000001622. Please refer to this number whenever corresponding with this office.

Your corporation is now qualified and authorized to transact business in Florida as of the file date.

A corporation annual report/uniform business report will be due this office between January 1 and May 1 of the year following the calendar year of the file date. A Federal Employer Identification (FEI) number will be required before this report can be filed. If you do not already have an FEI number, please apply NOW with the Internal Revenue by calling 1-800-829-3676 and requesting form SS-4.

Please be aware if the corporate address changes, it is the responsibility of the corporation to notify this office.

Should you have any questions regarding this matter, please telephone (850) 487-6051, the Foreign Qualification/Tax Lien Section.

Buck Kohr
Corporate Specialist
Division of Corporations

Letter Number: 900A00016276

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Account charged: 70.00

TITLE SHEET

INTEREXCHANGE TELECOMMUNICATIONS RESELLER TARIFF

OF

TDS Long Distance Corporation
301 South Westfield Road
Madison, WI 53717
Telephone: (608) 664-4000

This tariff contains the description, regulations, and rates applicable to the furnishing of services and facilities for telecommunications services provided by **TDS Long Distance Corporation** with principal offices at the above location. This tariff is on file with the Florida Public Service Commission and copies may be inspected during normal business hours at the Carrier's principal place of business.

Issued: May 24, 2000

Effective:

TDS Long Distance Corporation
James Barr III, President and CEO
301 South Westfield Road
Madison, WI 53717

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CHECK SHEET

Pages listed below of this tariff are effective as of the date shown at the bottom of the respective sheet(s). Original and revised pages as named below comprise all changes from the original tariff and are currently in effect as of the date of the bottom of these pages.

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NOTE: Future revisions to these original tariff pages shall include an updated Check Sheet. Such Check Sheet shall include an (*) beside the applicable page number and the caption "Revision No.".

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GENERAL TARIFF INFORMATION

SYMBOLS

The following are the only symbols used for the purposes indicated below:

- | | |
|-----|--|
| (C) | to signify changed regulation |
| (D) | to signify discontinued rate or regulation |
| (I) | to signify increase to a rate or charge |
| (M) | to signify matter relocated without change |
| (N) | to signify new rate or regulation |
| (R) | to signify reduction to a rate or charge |
| (S) | to signify matter reissued without change |
| (T) | to signify change in text but no change in
rate or regulation |
| (Z) | to signify a correction |

In addition to symbols for changes, each provision or rate element changed will contain a vertical line, which will clearly show the exact number of lines being changed.

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TARIFF FORMAT

- A. Page Numbering - Page numbers appear in the upper right corner of the page. Pages are numbered sequentially. However, new pages are occasionally added to the tariff. When a new page is added between pages already in effect, a decimal is added. For example, a new page added between pages 4 and 5 would be 4.1.
- B. Page Revision Numbers - Revision numbers also appear in the upper right corner of each page. These numbers are used to determine the most current page version on file with the Commission. For example, the 4th revised Page 4 cancels the 3rd revised Page 4.
- C. Paragraph Numbering Sequence - There are five levels of paragraph coding. Each level of coding is subservient to its next higher level:
- 2
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 - 2.1.1
 - 2.1.1.(A)
 - 2.1.1.(A).1.
- D. Check Sheets - When a tariff filing is made with the Commission, an updated check sheet accompanies the tariff filing. The check sheet lists the pages contained in the tariff, with a cross-reference to the current revision number. When new pages are added, the check sheet is changed to reflect the revision.

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APPLICABILITY OF TARIFF

This tariff contains the description of the services offered, the terms and conditions under which each of the services are provided and all effective rates and charges applicable to the furnishing of message telecommunications services of the Carrier within the State of Florida for the following exchanges.

<u>Company</u>	<u>Exchange</u>
Quincy	Greensboro Greta Quincy

ACCESSIBILITY OF TARIFF

This tariff is available at the Carrier's principal place of business:

TDS Long Distance Corporation
301 South Westfield Road
Madison, WI 53717
Telephone: (608) 664-4000

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TERMS AND ABBREVIATIONS

"Access" as used in this tariff, mean an arrangement, which connects the Customer's, or Subscriber's telecommunications service to the Underlying Carrier's designated point of presence or network switching center.

"Business Customer" means a customer who is subscribed to business services of the local exchange carrier.

"Commission" means the Florida Public Service Commission.

"Carrier" means the Reseller referred to on the title page of this tariff, unless otherwise indicated by the context.

"Customer" means any person, partnership, cooperative corporation, corporation, or lawful entity provided service from an entity reselling intrastate telecommunications services.

"Exchange" means a geographic area established and approved by the Commission for the administration of local telephone service in a specified area which usually embraces a city, town, or village and its environs. It may consist of one or more central offices together with associated plant used in furnishing communication service in that area.

"IXC" means interexchange carrier or interexchange company, which is a carrier, or company authorized by the Commission to provide long distance communications services, but not local exchange services, within the State of Florida.

"Intrastate call" means any call which is originated and terminated within the boundaries of the State of Florida, regardless of whether such call crosses state boundaries prior to reaching its termination point.

"LEC" means a local exchange company, which is a company authorized by the Commission to provide local exchange service within the State of Florida.

"Large Business Customer" means a business customer who subscribes to three or more access lines.

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"Reseller" means a Company offering message telecommunications services to the public through the use of the facilities of an underlying carrier or a combination of its own facilities and the facilities of an underlying carrier for resale to the public for profit. A Customer who offers the service(s) it obtains from a Reseller to the public for profit shall also be deemed a Reseller.

"Small Business Customer" means a business customer who is subscribing to one or two access lines.

"Underlying Carrier" means the provider of telecommunications services whose network is being utilized to transmit and receive the Customer's telecommunications traffic.

"Vacation Service" means the same as specified in the Customer's local service provider's tariff.

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2.1 UNDERTAKING OF CARRIER

- 2.1.1 Carrier provides long distance message telecommunications service to customers within the state of Florida under the terms and conditions of this tariff.
- 2.1.2 The Carrier's services are provided on a monthly basis, and are available twenty-four (24) hours per day, seven (7) days per week.

2.2 LIMITATIONS

- 2.2.1 Service is offered subject to the availability of the necessary facilities and/or equipment and subject to the provisions of this tariff.
- 2.2.2 Carrier reserves the right to discontinue or limit services when necessitated by conditions beyond its control, or when the Customer is using service in violation of provisions of this tariff, or in violation of the law.
- 2.2.3 Carrier does not undertake to transmit messages, and will not be liable for errors in transmission or for failure to establish connections.

2.3 USE OF SERVICE

- 2.3.1 Service is provided for use by the Customer and may be used by others, when so authorized by the Customer, provided that all such usage shall be subject to the provisions of this Tariff, and shall not affect the Customer's responsibility for all payments required under this Tariff.
- 2.3.2 Service is furnished subject to the condition that it will not be used for an unlawful purpose. Service will not be furnished if any law enforcement agency, acting within its jurisdiction, advises that such service is being used or will be used in violation of the law, or if the Carrier receives other evidence that such service is or will be used for such purposes.

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2.4 LIABILITIES OF THE CARRIER

- 2.4.1 The Carrier's liability for damages arising out of mistakes, interruptions, omissions, delays, errors or defects in transmission which occur in the course of furnishing service(s) or facilities in no event shall exceed an amount equivalent to the proportionate charge to the Customer for the period during which the faults in transmission occur.
- 2.4.2 The Carrier shall not be liable for claim or loss, expense or damage (including indirect, special or consequential damage), for any interruption, delay, error omission, or defect in any service, facility or transmission provided under this tariff, if caused by any person or entity other than the Carrier, by any malfunction of any service or facility provided by an underlying carrier, by an Act of God, fire, war, civil disturbance, or act of government, or by any other cause beyond the Carrier's direct control.
- 2.4.3 The Carrier will make no refund of overpayment by a Customer unless the claim for overpayment, together with proper evidence, is submitted within one (1) year from the date of alleged overpayment unless billing records prepared by the Carrier can be produced which would justify a credit beyond one year.
- 2.4.4 The Carrier shall not be liable for any claim, loss, or refund as a result of loss or theft of Customer-specific identifying codes issued for use with the Carrier's services.
- 2.4.5 The Carrier shall not be liable for any defacement of or damages to the premises of a Customer resulting from the furnishing of service(s), which is not the direct result of the Carrier's negligence.

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2.5 DEPOSITS

- 2.5.1 The Carrier will not require an applicant or customer to make a deposit to receive long distance services.

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2.6 BILLING AND BILLING DISPUTES

- 2.6.1 Billing to Customers will be scheduled monthly. Usage charges are billed in arrears. Recurring fixed charges are billed monthly in advance. A bill will be considered rendered to the Customer when deposited in the United States mail with postage prepaid. If the delivery is by other than United States mail, the bill will be considered rendered when delivered to the last known address of the party responsible for payment.
- 2.6.2 The Customer is responsible for payment of all charges for services furnished to the Customer or its joint or authorized users. This responsibility is not changed due to any use, misuse, or abuse of the Customer's Service or Customer provided equipment by third parties, the Customer's employees, or the public. This responsibility includes payment for calls or services that originate at the Customer's number(s), that are accepted at the Customer's number(s) (e.g., collect calls), that are billed to the Customer number(s) via Third Number Billing if the Customer is found to be responsible for such call or service, the use of a Calling Card, or the use of a Company-assigned Special Billing Number and incurred at the specific request of the Customer.
- 2.6.3 Payment is due by the date printed on the bill. Payments are sent to the address listed on the bill.
- 2.6.4 If a Customer's bill is not paid by the due date printed on the bill, the Carrier may impose a late charge on past due amounts at the maximum lawful rate under applicable state law.
- 2.6.5 In the event of a dispute concerning an invoice, the Customer must pay a sum equal to the amount of the undisputed portion of the bill. The Customer must notify the LEC business office of the disputed portion in writing within 3 months from the date the invoice was rendered or such invoice would be deemed to be correct and binding on the Customer.
- 2.6.6 In the event suit is brought or an attorney is retained by the Carrier to enforce the terms of this Tariff, the Carrier shall be entitled to recover, in addition to any other remedy, reimbursement for reasonable attorneys' fees, court costs, costs of investigation and other related expenses incurred in connection therewith.

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2.7 TAXES

- 2.7.1 All stated charges in this tariff are computed by the Carrier exclusive of any federal, state, or local use, excise, gross receipts, sales or privileges taxes, duties fees, or similar liabilities (other than general income or property taxes) whether charged to or against the Carrier or its Customer.
- 2.7.2 The Customer is responsible for payment of any sales, use, gross receipts, excise or other local, state and federal taxes, charges or assessments, however designated (excluding taxes on the Carrier's net income) imposed on or based upon the provision, sale or use of the Carrier's services.
- 2.7.3 All state and local sales taxes are listed as separate line items on the Customer's bill.
- 2.7.4 Other taxes, charges and regulatory assessment shall be identified in the aggregate on the Customer's bill.

2.8 PAYMENT FOR SERVICE

- 2.8.1 All charges due by the Customer are payable to any agency duly authorized to receive such payments. The billing agency may be a LEC, credit card company, or other billing service. The terms and conditions for billing, payment and collection, including without limitation, any late payment charge, specified in the LEC's local exchange service tariff shall apply to charges of the Carrier when the LEC serves as the billing agent for the Carrier or buys the Carrier's accounts receivables. Terms of payment shall be according to the rules and regulations of the agency, but must comply with the Commission's rules and regulations.
- 2.8.2 Adjustments to the Customer's bills shall be made to the extent that circumstances exist which reasonably indicate that such changes are appropriate.

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2.9 RETURNED CHECK CHARGE

2.9.1 If a check offered by a Customer for payment of service provided is dishonored, a returned check charge may be applied in the amount not to exceed the maximum amount allowed under the state law.

2.10 CANCELLATION OF SERVICE BY CUSTOMER

2.10.1 A Customer may cancel service by providing written or verbal notice to the Carrier or its agents.

2.11 DENIAL OR CANCELLATION OF SERVICE BY THE CARRIER

2.11.1 Carrier, upon written notice to the customer, may discontinue service or cancel an application for service without incurring any liability for any of the following reasons:

- (A) Non-payment of any sum due to Carrier for service;
- (B) A violation of any regulation governing the service under this tariff;
- (C) A violation of any law, rule, or regulation of any government authority having jurisdiction over the service; or
- (D) Carrier is prohibited from furnishing services by order of a court or other government authority having jurisdiction.

2.11.2 The notice shall contain the reason(s) for denial or termination of service.

2.11.3 The Carrier shall not be required to give the written notice provided for situations where the Carrier has evidence of fraudulent or illegal use of the Carrier's services.

2.11.4 The discontinuance of service by the Carrier pursuant to this Section does not relieve the Customer of any obligations to pay the Carrier for charges due and owing for service(s) furnished up to the time of discontinuance.

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2.12 REFUNDS OR CREDITS FOR INTERRUPTION OF SERVICE

2.12.1 The Customer shall be credited for an interruption of two hours or more at the rate of 1/720th of the monthly charge for the service affected for each hour or major fraction thereof that the interruption continues. Calculations of the credit shall be made in accordance with the following formula:

$$\text{Credit} = \frac{A}{720} \times B$$

"A" = outage time in hours

"B" = total monthly charge for affected facility, where applicable

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GENERAL SERVICE AND RATE INFORMATION

3.1 GENERAL

3.1.1 Rates and timing of calls may vary by product type, access method, or call duration. Calls are billed individually and on a monthly basis. Usage is billed in arrears.

3.1.2 Intrastate services are offered in conjunction with interstate services.

3.2 TIMING OF CALLS

3.2.1 Billing for calls placed over the network is based in part on the duration of the call as follows, unless otherwise specified in this tariff:

- (A) Call timing begins when the called party answers the call (i.e., when two-way communications are established).
- (B) Chargeable time for calls ends when one of the parties disconnects from the call.
- (C) Minimum call duration periods for billing purposes may vary by service option.
- (D) For billing purposes, usage after the initial period varies by service and is specified by service in this tariff.
- (E) The Carrier will not bill for unanswered calls.

3.3 PROMOTIONAL OFFERINGS

3.3.1 The Carrier may from time to time engage in promotional trial service offerings of limited duration, designed to attract new subscribers or to increase subscriber awareness of a particular service offering. Such promotional offerings will be limited to specific dates, times, and locations. Except for the rates charged under such promotions, all other terms and conditions of service contained in this tariff will apply to the Carrier's promotional service offerings.

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4.1 OUTBOUND SERVICE

4.1.1 General Description

Outbound Service is available to residential and business subscribers, unless noted elsewhere in the plans listed below, who originate direct dialed calls over standard Customer-provided switched access lines. Calls are billed in one- (1) minute increments (fractional minutes are rounded to next higher minute) after a minimum call duration of one (1) minute. Monthly flat rates will not apply during "vacation service".

4.1.2 Residential and Small Business Service Offerings and Rates

A. True Talk Basic Plan

Minimum Monthly Billing: \$0.00
Per Minute Rate: \$0.15

B. True Talk Discount Plan

This rate is available only to customers who are enrolled in TDS Long Distance's Interstate True Talk 195 or 495 Toll Message Plan.

Minimum Monthly Billing: \$0.00
Per Minute Rate: \$0.10

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4.1 OUTBOUND SERVICE (continued)

4.1.3 Large Business Service Offerings and Rates

A. True Talk Basic Plan

Minimum Monthly Billing: \$0.00
Per Minute Rate: \$0.15

B. True Talk Discount Rate Plan

This rate is available only to customers who are enrolled in TDS Long Distance's Interstate True Talk 895 Toll Message Plan.

Minimum Monthly Billing: \$0.00
Per Minute Rate: \$0.10

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4.2 INBOUND TOLL FREE NUMBER SERVICE

4.2.1 General Description

Inbound Toll-Free Number Service is an 8XX number service available for Customer use twenty-four (24) hours a day, seven (7) days a week. Service is terminated over standard Customer-provided switched access lines. Calls are billed in one- (1) minute increments (fractional minutes are rounded to the next higher minute) after a minimum call duration of one (1) minute. Intrastate service is offered in conjunction with Interstate service.

The Carrier will make every effort to reserve toll-free vanity numbers on behalf of Customers, but makes no guarantee or warranty that the requested toll-free number(s) will be available or assigned to the Customer requesting the number.

If a Customer accumulates undisputed delinquent charges, the Carrier reserves the right not to honor that Customer's request for a change in service until such charges are paid in full.

The Customer does not retain rights in toll-free numbers, which are shared with other Customers of the Carrier. Shared toll-free numbers are not portable. Toll free directory listing will not be provided.

4.2.2 Residential and Small Business Service Offerings

[Not Available at this time.]

4.2.3 Large Business Service Offerings

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4.3 DIRECTORY ASSISTANCE

4.3.1 General Description

A Directory Assistance charge applies per intrastate directory assistance calls made from points within the State. The customer may make one request for a telephone number per call. The Directory Assistance charge applies regardless of whether the operator is able to supply the requested number. Discounts are not applicable to Directory Assistance charges. Directory Assistance charges are not included in usage commitments or computed in any discount calculations.

4.3.2 Rates

Per call to directory assistance: \$0.95

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4.4 OPERATOR SERVICE

4.4.1 General Description

Operator Services allow Subscribers to place specified types of subscriber-dialed and operator-assisted calls via local telephone access lines or via dedicated facilities.

The appropriate surcharge will be assessed on a per call basis. For calls made using a telephone company card or a commercial credit card, acceptance of the card will be dependent upon the Carrier's ability to verify the card as valid. Only those cards accepted by the Carrier may be used for Operator Services.

4.4.2 Types of Calls and Rates

The following per-call charges apply in addition to the per-minute usage rate when applicable. These charges apply in all rate periods.

Operator Station:

Collect	\$1.75
Billed to Third Party	\$1.75

Person to Person	\$3.25
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4.4.3 Per Minute Usage Charge

Calls are billed in one- (1) minute increments (fractional minutes are rounded to next higher minute) after a minimum call duration of one (1) minute. The following per-minute charge applies in all rate periods.

Operator Station:

Collect	\$0.30
Billed to Third Party	\$0.30

Person to Person	\$0.30
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4.5 CALLING CARD

4.5.1 General Description

Calling Card Service is a post-paid calling card service offered to residential and business customers who subscribe to TDS Long Distance. This service permits subscribers utilizing the Carrier's calling card at a single per-minute rate 24 hours a day. No minimum monthly billing or monthly recurring charges apply.

4.5.2 Type of Calls and Rates

The following per-call charges apply in addition to the per-minute usage rate when applicable. These charges apply in all rate periods.

Calling Card Set-up	\$0.19
Manual Call Completion	\$1.25
Operator Provided Dialing Instructions	\$1.25

4.5.3 Rates Per Minute

Calls are billed in one- (1) minute increments (fractional minutes are rounded to next higher minute) after a minimum call duration of one (1) minute.

All Types of Calls	\$0.19
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RE: **Application of TDS Long Distance Corporation for Authority to Provide Telephone Service in the State of Florida – Long Distance Resale**

TDS Long Distance Corporation respectfully requests the Florida Public Service Commission for authority to provide long distance resale in the State of Florida. Please find attached the original and 6 copies of the completed application to provide these services and the required \$250.00 filing fee.

In addition, a copy of this memo as well as a self-addressed stamped envelope has been included to be returned as confirmation of your receipt of this application.

TDS Long Distance Corporation is anxious to provide a competitive service in the State of North Carolina and certainly would appreciate the timely processing of this application.

If you have any questions about the enclosed application, please contact me at 608-664-4168. Thanks.

Respectfully Submitted,

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AEC

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