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Ms. Blanca S. Bayo, Director
Division of Records and Reporting
Florida Public Service Commission
2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard
Gerald Gunter Building
Tallahassee, Florida 32399

Re: Supplement to Application of Birch Telecom of the South, Inc. for Authority to Provide Resold and Facilities-Based Interexchange Telecommunications Services within the State of Florida (Docket No. 000741-TT)

Dear Ms. Bayo:

On behalf of Birch Telecom of the South, Inc. ("Birch"), we hereby submit an original and six (6) copies of a supplement to its application for authority to provide resold and facilities-based interexchange telecommunications services within the State of Florida.

The supplemental filing contains the required "Applicant Acknowledgement Statement," as well as Attachments A, B and C to the application.

We request that the Commission please add this filing to Birch's above-captioned application file.

We have included an extra copy of this filing, marked "Stamp and Return," as well as a self-addressed, pre-paid overnight airbill and delivery envelope. Please stamp and return the extra copy to confirm your receipt.

Please direct any inquiries regarding this filing to the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,
BIRCH TELECOM OF THE SOUTH, INC.

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By

Handwritten signature of Valerie M. Furman

Valerie M. Furman

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****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:

Signature *Gregory C. Lawton* Date *June 21, 2000*
Title Senior Vice President Telephone No. (816)300-3225
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ATTACHMENTS:

- A - CUSTOMER DEPOSITS AND ADVANCE PAYMENTS
- B - CURRENT FLORIDA INTRASTATE NETWORK
- C - AFFIDAVIT

CUSTOMER DEPOSITS AND ADVANCE PAYMENTS

A statement of how the Commission can be assured of the security of the customers 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.)

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****ATTACHMENT B****

CURRENT FLORIDA INTRASTATE SERVICES

Applicant has () or has not () previously provided intrastate telecommunications in Florida.

If the answer is has, fully describe the following: N/A

a) What services have been provided and when did these services begin?

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

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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."

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