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June 8, 2001

VIA FEDERAL EXPRESS

Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street SW Washington, DC 20554



Re:

North American Telecommunications Corporation ("NATELCO") Supplement to Section 63.71 Application to the Federal Communications Commission for Discontinuance of Service

Dear Sir/Madam:

Enclosed please find three Form 162s listing NATELCO's FCC Registration Numbers and that of its subsidiary Long Island Telephone Company, together with one original and five copies of NATELCO's Supplement to Section 63.71 Application for Discontinuance of Line Services seeking an expedited notice period so that its Application will be deemed granted on June 21, 2001. Please stamp and return the "File" copy in the enclosed prepaid Federal Express envelope.

Please note that processing of this application should be **EXPEDITED** in light of NATELCO's pending bankruptcy and inability to continue service past June 21, 2001.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you need any further information.

Very truly yours,

Karen Baldwin K

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Before the FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION Washington, D.C.

In the Matter of)	
SUPPLEMENTAL APPLICATION FOR DISCONTINUANCE OF LINE SERVICES OF DOMESTIC CARRIER NORTH AMERICAN TELECOMMUNICATIONS))))	ORIGINAL
CORPORATION	,	

I. REQUEST FOR EXPEDITED NOTICE PERIOD

On May 21, 2001, Petitioner North American Telecommunications Corporation ("NATELCO"), through its attorneys, filed an Application for Discontinuance of Line Services (the "Application"). As set forth in its Application, NATELCO filed for protection under Chapter 11 of the United States Bankruptcy Code on February 23, 2001. In the context of its pending bankruptcy, NATELCO has worked with the Court and its secured lender MCG Finance Corporation ("MCG") to continue service to its customers as long as possible and to make arrangements for NATELCO's customers to transition to other carriers. MCG has agreed to continue funding until June 21, 2001.

Counsel for NATELCO spoke with a representative of the FCC's Common Carrier Bureau prior to filing and was advised that public notice is typically issued 3-5 days after filing, but that if a notation was made that the matter should be handled on an expedited basis, that the time between filing and public notice could be made shorter.

NATELCO sent its Application via Federal Express on May 18, 2001 for filing on May 21, 2001 with a notation in the cover letter that due to the pending bankruptcy and the

lender's willingness to continue funding for service only through June 21, 2001, the matter should be handled on an expedited basis. The Application was filed as soon as possible after NATELCO received information to be included in its notices to its New York customers regarding which customers could be automatically switched to MetTel so that the notice would accurately advise each customer of their situation and what they could anticipate in the next several weeks.

As of the date of this filing, no public notice has been issued with respect to the Application. The undersigned has been advised by John Minkoff of the Federal Communications Commission Common Carrier Bureau that there was a delay in issuing the public notice through no fault of NATELCO and that there is no certainty it will be issued even in the next several days. In any event, even if public notice were to issue immediately, Section 63.71 would require NATELCO to continue service to its customers until at least July 9, 2001. Given the circumstances with NATELCO's funding in bankruptcy, this is not possible.

Notices have been sent to all of NATELCO's customers in both Florida¹ and New York stating that services would be terminated by June 21, 2001.² Each notice included the information required by Section 63.71(1)-(5), identified the likely termination date as June 21, 2001³ and referenced a toll-free customer service number and NATELCO's website as a resource for more information.

¹ Florida customers were sent Section 63.71 notices via first class mail on Friday May 11, 2001.

² New York customers who were in danger of losing service were sent Section 63.71 notices via first class mail between Wednesday May 16, 2001 and Friday May 18, 2001. Due to an inadvertent internal error, the last of notices to those customers being automatically transferred to MetTel were not mailed until May 29, 2001.

³ The Florida notices advised that the earliest possible termination date was June 11, 2001. However, after the Florida notices were sent, the secured lender agreed to extend funding no later than June 21, 2001.

Moreover, NATELCO has made provisions for many of its customers so that service will not be interrupted if discontinued by June 21, 2001. A large number of NATELCO's New York customers have been or will be automatically switched to MetTel as provided in the Application. NATELCO has been working on a daily basis with its remaining New York customers, with the staff of the New York Public Service Commission and with other carriers to find alternatives.

Furthermore, NATELCO has made arrangements through its secured lender and in coordination with the Florida Public Service Commission for IDS Telecom, LLC ("IDS") (another certified Florida CLEC) to contact each of its Florida customers and offer to provide comparable service. Upon information and belief, IDS has substantially completed this process and has begun transitioning those customers who have consented to IDS becoming their new carrier.

Finally, Section 63.71(a) provides that customers have 15 days from receipt of the notice to object in writing to the Federal Communications Commission. NATELCO's Florida customers would have received their notices via first class mail within several days of May 11, 2001 and NATELCO's New York customers facing possible discontinuance (not being automatically switched to MetTel) would have received their notices within several days of May 21, 2001. Providing five business days for mailing, the period for these customers to file objections would end at the latest on June 11, 2001. Therefore, NATELCO respectfully submits that its customers have received sufficient notice of their opportunity to object and have been provided with sufficient information

⁴ Due to the inadvertent error referred to in Footnote 2 above, the customers being switched automatically to MetTel would likely have received their notices by June 5, 2001. However, MetTel has also been contacting these customers directly to advise them of the upcoming transition.

as to the nature of NATELCO's discontinuance and the resources available to them.

Furthermore, as has been stated in NATELCO's conversations with the Common Carrier Bureau, NATELCO is prepared to work to quickly resolve any customer objections or concerns that arise.

For the foregoing reasons, NATELCO respectfully requests that the Federal Communications Commission expedite the 31-day period between public notice and the automatic granting of its Section 63.71 Application for Discontinuance of Line Services or, in the alternative, deem the Application filed on May 21, 2001 so that it will be automatically granted on June 21, 2001.

A copy of this application has been sent via first class mail to:

- Office of the Secretary of Defense, Chief of OSD Telecommunications Judy Mitchell;
- George E. Pataki, Governor of New York State;
- Jeb Bush, Governor of Florida;
- Janet Hand Deixler, Secretary to the Commission of the New York State Public Service Commission (Donald Burke, Maureen Maccauley, Patrice O'Connor);
- Blanco Bayo, Director of Records and Reporting of the Florida Public Service Commission (Thomas Williams III, Richard Moses, Beverlee DeMello, Ray Kennedy), and;

• John Minkoff of the Federal Communications Commission Common Carrier Bureau.

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