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VIA HAND DELIVERY

William Caton, Acting Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
236 Massachusetts Avenue, N.E.
Suite 110
Washington, D.C. 20002

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Re: Section 63.71 Application of Communications Buying Group, Inc. for Authority to Discontinue the Provision of Certain U.S. Domestic Retail Interexchange Telecommunications Services

Dear Mr. Caton:

On behalf of Communications Buying Group ("CBG") transmitted herewith are an original and five (5) copies of an application for authority to discontinue the provision of certain domestic interstate telecommunications services throughout CBG's previous service areas in Florida, California, and Texas.

Please date-stamp the enclosed extra copy of this filing and return it in the envelope provided. Should you have any questions with respect to this matter, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned at (202) 424-7673.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy K. Spooner

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Counsel for Communications Buying Group

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**Before the
FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20554**

In the Matter of the Application of)
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Communications Buying Group)
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For Authority to Discontinue the Provision)
of Certain U.S. Domestic Retail Interexchange)
Telecommunications Services)
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File No. _____

SECTION 63.71 APPLICATION

Communications Buying Group (“CBG” or “Applicant”) hereby requests authority pursuant to Section 214(a) of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended (the “Act”), 47 U.S.C. § 214(a), and Section 63.71 of the Commission’s Rules, 47 C.F.R. § 63.71, to discontinue the provision of certain U.S. domestic interexchange telecommunications services in the states of Florida, California, and Texas.

By way of background, CBG made a necessary business decision to discontinue providing telecommunications service in the United States, and more particularly in the states listed herein. CBG does not have any customers for any telecommunications services in any state and therefore notice cannot be provided to any customers. Applicant provides the following information in support of this Application pursuant to Section 63.71 of the Commission’s Rules.

I. SECTION 63.71(a) INFORMATION

(1) Name and address of carrier:

Communications Buying Group
161 Inverness Drive West
Government Affairs – 6th Floor
Englewood, CO 80112

(2) Date of planned service discontinuance, reduction or impairment:

CBG elects to cease offering service on March 31, 2002.

(3) Points of geographic areas affected:

The areas affected are all locations served by CBG in Florida, California, and Texas.

(4) Brief description of type of service affected:

CBG seeks approval to discontinue its authority to provide U.S. domestic interexchange telecommunications services to the following states: Florida, California, and Texas.

II. NOTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS

CBG does not currently have any customers. Therefore, CBG will not notify any customers.

CBG certifies that concurrent with the filing of this Application, CBG is submitting a copy of the Application to the public utility commissions and governors of the states listed above and to the Special Assistant for Telecommunications for the Secretary of Defense as required by Section 63.71(a) of the Commission's Rules, 47 C.F.R. § 63.71(a). (*See attached Certificate of Service.*)

III. REGULATORY STATUS

CBG is regulated as a non-dominant carrier with respect to all domestic interstate telecommunications services.

IV. CONCLUSION

CBG respectfully submits that the termination of certain domestic interexchange telecommunications services is reasonable, necessary and not unduly disruptive to the present or future public convenience and necessity. CBG does not currently serve any customers in the United States, therefore, the public will not be unduly harmed by CBG withdrawal from publicly

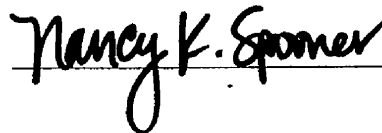
offering telecommunications services. Moreover, the public has access to other telecommunications carriers that have the ability to provide these customers with comparable telecommunications services at competitive prices.

For the foregoing reasons, CBG respectfully requests, pursuant to Section 214(a) of the Act, 47 U.S.C. § 214(a), and Section 63.71 of the Commission's Rules, 47 C.F.R. § 63.71, that the Commission approve its Section 63.71 Application to discontinue the provision of certain U.S. domestic retail interstate telecommunications services.

Respectfully submitted,

Communications Buying Group

By:

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Nancy K. Spooner". The signature is written in a cursive style and is positioned above a horizontal line.

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Dated: February 21, 2002

CERTIFICATION

On behalf of Communications Buying Group, I hereby certify that the statements in the foregoing Section 63.71 Application are true, complete and correct to the best of my knowledge and are made in good faith.

By:



Communications Buying Group

Title: Vice President & General Counsel

Date: February 1, 2002

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, Denelle Dixon, hereby certify that on this day, the 21st of February

2002, I served a copy of the foregoing document via First Class Mail, postage pre-paid to the persons listed below:

Denelle Dixon

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