

Petition for Designation as an Eligible Telecommunications Carrier (ETC)

Coastal Telephone Connections, Inc. d/b/a Coastal Connections

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Pursuant to 214(e)(2) of the Telecommunications Act of 1934, as amended ("Act"), 47-ERK USC 214(e)(2) and 54.201 of the Federal Communications Commission's ("FCC") rules, 47 CFR 54.201 and FCC Order 97-157. Coastal Telephone Connections, Inc. d/b/a Coastal Connections requests to be designated as eligible to receive all available support from the Federal Universal Services Fund ("USF") including, but not limited to, support for low income customers. In support of this petition, the following is respectfully shown.

- I. Name and address of Petitioner
 - 1. Coastal Telephone Connections, Inc. d/b/a Coastal Connection, 1186 Hamilton Ave., Jennings, Fl. 32053
- 11. Applicable Statutes and Rules
 - 2. Statutes and rules implicated by the instant Petition are as follows: 47 USC 153(44), 214(e), 253(b) and 254(d): 47CFR 51.5, 54.5, 24.2021 AND FCC Order 97-157.
- III. Authorization and Service Area
 - 3. Coastal Telephone Connections, Inc. d/b/a Coastal Connections is a telecommunications carrier as defined in 47 USC 153(44) and 47 CFR 51.5 and FCC Order 97-157, and for the purposes of part 54 of the FCC, s rules.
 - 4. A telecommunications carrier may be designed as an ETC and receive universal service support throughout its designated service area if it agrees to: (I) offer services that are supported be federal universal service support mechanisms and (ii) advertise the availability of such services. In its First Report and Order implementing Sections 214(e) and 254, the FCC set forth the services a carrier must provide to be designated as an ETC in order to receive federal universal support.
 - 5. Section 214(e)(1) of the Act provides that ETC designation shall be made for a "service area" designated by the state commission. In areas served by a non-rural company, the state commission may establish and ETC service area for a competitor without federal concurrence.
 - Coastal Telephone Connections, Inc. d/b/a Coastal Connections offers the supported services to Qualify for Federal USF Support
 - 6. Section 214(e)(1) of the Act and section 54.201(d) of the FCC's rules provide that carriers designated as ETCs shell, throughout their service area, (1) offer the services that are supported by federal universal support mechanisms either using their own facilities or a combination of their own

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facilities and resale of another carrier's services and (2) advertise the availability of such services and the charges therefore using media of general distribution. 47 USC 214(e); CFR 54.201(d). The services which are supported by the federal USF are:

- 1) voice grade access to the public switched network;
- 2) local usage;
- 3) dual tone multi-frequency signaling or its functional equivalent;
- 4) single-party service or its functional equivalent;
- 5) access to emergency services;
- 6) access to operator services;
- 7) access to interexchange service;
- 8) access to directory assistance; and
- 9) toll limitation for qualifying low-income customers

47 CFR 54.101(a)

7. Coastal Telephone Connections, Inc d/b/a Coastal Connections is contracted to lease Unbundled Network Elements in the areas served by BellSouth in the State of Florida. Where Coastal Telephone Connections, Inc d/b/a Coastal Connections leases Unbundled Network Elements, they are considered a facilities based provider according to FCC Order 97-157.

V. Statement of Need

Coastal Telephone Connections, Inc d/b/a Coastal Connections is licensed as a competitive local exchange carrier with the State of Florida. Coastal Telephone Connections, Inc d/b/a Coastal Connections will service many residents of the State of Florida who are on a limited income and public assistance. Coastal Telephone Connections, Inc. d/b/a Coastal Connections understands that it must offer the Florida Telephone Assistance Program to its customers that qualify for the program. Coastal Telephone Connection, Inc. d/b/a Coastal Connections is requesting ETC designation in order to obtain reimbursement of its costs to comply with this rule.

VI. Grant of Coastal Telephone Connections, Inc. d/b/a Coastal Connections Application would serve the public interest

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8. By granting ETC designation to Coastal Telephone Connections, Inc. d/b/a Coastal Connections, this Commission will greatly benefit the people of Florida who qualify by lowering their telephone bills and allowing more money for other needs of these citizens and their families.

Wherefore, pursuant to Section 214(2)(2) of the Act, Coastal Telephone Connection, Inc d/b/a Coastal Connections respectfully request that the Commission enter an Order designating Coastal Telephone Connections, Inc d/b/a Coastal Connections as an ETC for the State of Florida.

Respectfully Submitted

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VII. Areas of Service by Coastal Telephone Connections, Inc d/b/a Coastal Connections

10. Those areas that will be designated to be served by Coastal shall be the following counties:

(p)=Part of the county will be served.

Alachua	Bay	Bradford(p)	Brevard
Broward	Charlotte	Citrus	Clay(p)
Collier	Columbia	Dade	DeSoto
Dixie	Duval	Escambia(p)	Flagler
Gadsden(p)	Gilchrist(p)	Glades	Hardee
Hendry	Hernando	Highlands	Hilsborough
Holmes	Indian River	Jackson	Jefferson
Lake	Lee	Leon	Madison
Manatee	Marion(p)	Martin(p)	Monroe
Nassau(p)	Okaloosa(p)	Okeechobee	Osceola
Palm Beach	Pasco	Pinellas	Polk
Santa Rosa	Sarasota	Seminole	St. Johns(p)
St. Lucie	Sumter	Volusia	Wakula
Walton(p)	Washington		
		Volusia	Wakula

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9. Those areas that will be served by Coastal shall be designated by the following Wire Centers:

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BCRTFLBT	CCBHFLMA	MIAMFLOL	WPBHFLLE	PLCSFLMA
3CRTFLMA	COCOFLMA	MIAMFLRR	WPBHFLRB	PLTKFLMA
DYBHFLFN	COCOFLME	MIAMFLSH	WWSPFLSH	PMPKFLMA
FTLDFL92	DBRYFLDL	MIAMFLSO		PNCYFLCA
FTLDFLCR	DBRYFLMA	MIAQFL06	ARCHFLMA	PRSNFLFD
FTLDFLCY	DELDFLMA	MICCFLBB	BGPIFLMA	PTSLFLMA
FTLDFLMR	DLBHFLKP	MLBRFLMA	BKVLFLJF	SBSTFLFE
FTLDFLOA	DLBHFLMA	MNDRFLAV	BLDWFLMA	SBSTFLMA
FTLDFLSF	DRBHFLMA	MNDRFLLO	BNNLFLMA	SGKYFLMA
FTLDFLSG	DYBHFLMA	MRTHFLVE	BRSNFLMA	STAGFLMA
FTLDFLSU	DYBHFLOB	NDADFLBR	CDKYFLMA	STAGFLWG
HLWDFLHA	DYBHFLOS	NDADFLGG	CFLDFLMA	SYHSFLCC
HLWDFLMA	DYBHFLPO	NKLRFLMA	CHPLFLJA	TRENFLMA
JCBHFLSP	EGLLFLBG	NSBHFLMA	CNTMFLLE	VERNFLMA
JCVLFLCL	EGLLFLIH	ORLDFLAP	CSCYFLBA	WELKFLMA
JCVLFLFC	FLBHFLMA	ORLDFLCL	DLSPFLMA	WPBHFLRP
JCVLFLJT	FRBHFLFP	ORLDFLPC	DNLNFLWM	WWSPFLHI
JCVLFLSM	FTLDFLJA	ORLDFLPH	EORNFLMA	YNFNFLMA
KYWSFLMA	FTLDFLPL	ORLDFLSA	FTGRFLMA	YNTWFLMA
MIAMFLAE	FTLDFLWN	ORPKFLMA	FTPRFLMA	YULEFLMA
MIAMFLAP	GLBRFLMC	ORPKFLRW	GCSPFLCN	
MIAMFLBA	GSVLFLMA	OVIDFLCA	GCVLFLMA	
MIAMFLBC	GSVLFLNW	PAHKFLMA	GENVFLMA	
MIAMFLBR	HBSDFLMA	PCBHFLNT	HAVNFLMA	
MIAMFLDB	HLWDFLPE	PMBHFLCS	HLNVFLMA	
MIAMFLFL	HLWDFLWH	PMBHFLFE	HMSTFLAF	
MIAMFLGR	HTISFLMA	PMBHFLMA	HMSTFLEA	
MIAMFLIC	ISLMFLMA	PNCYFLMA	HMSTFLHM	

MIAMFLKE	JCBHFLAB	PNSCFLBL	HMSTFLNA	
MIAMFLME	JCBHFLMA	PNSCFLFP	HWTHFLMA	
MIAMFLNM	JCVLFLAR	PNSCFLHC	JAY FLMA	
MIAMFLPB	JCVLFLBW	PNSCFLPB	JCVLFLLF	
MIAMFLPL	JCVLFLIA	PNSCFLWA	JCVLFLOW	
MIAMFLWD	JCVLFLNO	PNVDFLMA	KYHGFLMA	
MIAMFLWM	JCVLFLRV	PRRNFLMA	LKCYFLMA	
NDADFLAC	JCVLFLSJ	PTSLFLSO	LYHNFLOH	-
NDADFLOL	JCVLFLWC	SNFRFLMA	MCNPFLMA	
ORLDFLMA	JPTRFLMA	STAGFLBS	MDBGFLPM	
PMBHFLNP	KYLRFLLS	STAGFLSH	MLTNFLRA	
PMBHFLTA	KYLRFLMA	STRTFLMA	MNDRFLLW	
WPBHFLAN	LKMRFLHE	TTVLFLMA	MNSNFLMA	
	LKMRFLMA	VRBHFLBE	MXVLFLMA	
BCRTFLSA	MIAMFLAL	VRBHFLMA	NWBYFLMA	
BLGLFLMA	MIAMFLCA	WPBHFLGA	OKHLFLMA	
BYBHFLMA	MIAMFLHL	WPBHFLGR	OLTWFLLN	
CCBHFLAF	MIAMFLNS	WPBHFLHH	PACEFLPV	