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Ms. Carlotta S. Stauffer, Commission Clerk  
Office of Commission Clerk & Administrative Services  
Florida Public Service Commission  
2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard  
Tallahassee, FL 32399-0850

**RE: Birch Telecom of the South, LLC TJ414 / TX476  
Notice of Name Company Name Change**

Dear Ms. Stauffer:

Please accept this letter submitted on behalf of Birch Communications, Inc. d/b/a Birch Telecom d/b/a Birch Communications ("Company") to notify the Commission that the Company has converted to a limited liability company and changed its name to Birch Communications, LLC d/b/a Birch Telecom d/b/a Birch Communications. The Company is authorized to provide local exchange and competitive telecommunications services within the state of Florida pursuant to Order and Certificate TX326 and TX476.

The Company converted to a limited liability company in Florida and now operates under the name of Birch Communications, LLC d/b/a Birch Telecom d/b/a Birch Communications. Enclosed are copies of the Certificate of Authority and Withdrawal issued by the Florida Department of State – Division of Corporations.

The change in corporate form will have no customer impact as there will be no change in the name of customer's provider and no effect on the rates or services offered to customers.

Upon approval of this name change, the Company will submit updated tariffs reflecting the name change and Change of Contact Form.

Please acknowledge receipt of this filing by date-stamping the extra copy of this cover letter and returning it to me in the self-addressed, stamped envelope provided for that purpose. Any questions you may have regarding this filing should be directed to my attention at 407-740-3006 or via email to croesel@inteserra.com. Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be "CR", written over a light blue horizontal line.

Carey Roesel  
Consultant

cc: Angela Collins – Cahill, Gordon & Reindel LLP (via Email)  
tms: FLI1801  
Enclosures  
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FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF STATE  
Division of Corporations

March 6, 2018

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Qualification documents for BIRCH TELECOM OF THE SOUTH, LLC were filed on March 5, 2018, and assigned document number M18000002237. Please refer to this number whenever corresponding with this office.

Your limited liability company is authorized to transact business in Florida as of the file date.

The certification you requested is enclosed.

To maintain "active" status with the Division of Corporations, an annual report must be filed yearly between January 1st and May 1st beginning in the year following the file date or effective date indicated above. If the annual report is not filed by May 1st, a \$400 late fee will be added.

A Federal Employer Identification Number (FEI/EIN) will be required when this report is filed. Apply today with the IRS online at:

<https://sa.www4.irs.gov/modiein/individual/index.jsp>

Please notify this office if the limited liability company address changes, it is the responsibility of the corporation to notify this office.

Should you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact this office at the address given below.

Dionne M Scott  
Regulatory Specialist II  
Registration Section  
Division of Corporations

Letter Number: 318A00004516

Account number: I20000000195

Amount charged: 155.00

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# State of Florida



## Department of State

I certify the attached is a true and correct copy of the application by BIRCH TELECOM OF THE SOUTH, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company, authorized to transact business within the state of Florida on March 5, 2018, as shown by the records of this office.

The document number of this limited liability company is M18000002237.

Given under my hand and the  
Great Seal of the State of Florida  
at Tallahassee, the Capital, this the  
Sixth day of March, 2018



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*Ken Detzner*

Ken Detzner  
Secretary of State

COVER LETTER

TO: Registration Section  
Division of Corporations

SUBJECT: Birch Telecom of the South, LLC  
Name of Limited Liability Company

The enclosed "Application by Foreign Limited Liability Company for Authorization to Transact Business in Florida," Certificate of Existence, and check are submitted to register the above referenced foreign limited liability company to transact business in Florida.

Please return all correspondence concerning this matter to the following:

Camille Duerr, Paralegal  
Name of Person  
Jones Day  
Firm/Company  
1420 Peachtree Street, NE, Suite 800  
Address  
Atlanta, GA 30309  
City/State and Zip Code  
chuck.williams@birch.com  
E-mail address: (to be used for future annual report notification)

For further information concerning this matter, please call:

Camille Duerr at (404) 581-8542  
Name of Contact Person Area Code Daytime Telephone Number

**MAILING ADDRESS:**  
Division of Corporations  
Registration Section  
P.O. Box 6327  
Tallahassee, FL 32314

**STREET ADDRESS:**  
Division of Corporations  
Registration Section  
Clifton Building  
2661 Executive Center Circle  
Tallahassee, FL 32301

Enclosed is a check for the following amount:

- \$125.00 Filing Fee
- \$130.00 Filing Fee & Certificate of Status
- \$155.00 Filing Fee & Certified Copy
- \$160.00 Filing Fee, Certificate of Status & Certified Copy

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**APPLICATION BY FOREIGN LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY FOR AUTHORIZATION TO TRANSACT BUSINESS IN FLORIDA**

*IN COMPLIANCE WITH SECTION 605.0902, FLORIDA STATUTES, THE FOLLOWING IS SUBMITTED TO REGISTER A FOREIGN LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY TO TRANSACT BUSINESS IN THE STATE OF FLORIDA:*

1. Birch Telecom of the South, LLC  
(Name of Foreign Limited Liability Company; must include "Limited Liability Company," "L.L.C.," or "LLC.")

(If name unavailable, enter alternate name adopted for the purpose of transacting business in Florida. The alternate name must include "Limited Liability Company," "L.L.C.," or "LLC.")

2. Delaware 3. 75-1855826  
(Jurisdiction under the law of which foreign limited liability company is organized) (FEI number, if applicable)

4. 12/30/2017  
(Date first transacted business in Florida, if prior to registration.)  
(See sections 605.0904 & 605.0905, F.S. to determine penalty liability)

5. 320 Interstate North Parkway, SE 6. 320 Interstate North Parkway, SE  
(Street Address of Principal Office) (Mailing Address)  
Atlanta, GA 30339 Atlanta, GA 30339

7. Name and street address of Florida registered agent: (P.O. Box NOT acceptable)

Name: Corporation Service Company  
 Office Address: 1201 Hays Street  
Tallahassee, Florida 32301-2525  
(City) (Zip code)

**Registered agent's acceptance:**

*Having been named as registered agent and to accept service of process for the above stated limited liability company at the place designated in this application, I hereby accept the appointment as registered agent and agree to act in this capacity. I further agree to comply with the provisions of all statutes relative to the proper and complete performance of my duties, and I am familiar with and accept the obligations of my position as registered agent.*

*Bexanne Turner*  
(Registered agent's signature)

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**Bexanne Turner**  
 Asst. Vice President

8. The name, title or capacity and address of the person(s) who has/have authority to manage is/are:

<u>Title or Capacity:</u>	<u>Name and Address:</u>	<u>Title or Capacity:</u>	<u>Name and Address:</u>
<u>Manager</u>	<u>Gordon P. Williams, Jr.</u> <u>320 Interstate North Pkwy, SE</u> <u>Atlanta, GA 30339</u>		
<u>Manager</u>	<u>Kevin Dotts</u> <u>320 Interstate North Pkwy, SE</u> <u>Atlanta, GA 30339</u>		

(Use attachments if necessary)

9. Attached is a certificate of existence, no more than 90 days old, duly authenticated by the official having custody of records in the jurisdiction under the law of which it is organized. (If the certificate is in a foreign language, a translation of the certificate under oath of the translator must be submitted)

10. This document is executed in accordance with section 605.0203 (1) (b), Florida Statutes. I am aware that any false information submitted in a document to the Department of State constitutes a third degree felony as provided for in s.817.155, F.S.

*Gordon P. Williams, Jr.*  
Signature of an authorized person

Gordon P. Williams, Jr.  
Typed or printed name of signee

# Delaware

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I, JEFFREY W. BULLOCK, SECRETARY OF STATE OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE, DO HEREBY CERTIFY "BIRCH TELECOM OF THE SOUTH, LLC" IS DULY FORMED UNDER THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE AND IS IN GOOD STANDING AND HAS A LEGAL EXISTENCE SO FAR AS THE RECORDS OF THIS OFFICE SHOW, AS OF THE TWENTIETH DAY OF FEBRUARY, A.D. 2018.

AND I DO HEREBY FURTHER CERTIFY THAT THE SAID "BIRCH TELECOM OF THE SOUTH, LLC" WAS FORMED ON THE EIGHTH DAY OF FEBRUARY, A.D. 2000.

AND I DO HEREBY FURTHER CERTIFY THAT THE ANNUAL TAXES HAVE BEEN PAID TO DATE.

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TALLAHASSEE, FLORIDA



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You may verify this certificate online at [corp.delaware.gov/authver.shtml](http://corp.delaware.gov/authver.shtml)

  
Jeffrey W. Bullock, Secretary of State

Authentication: 202182016

Date: 02-20-18



FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF STATE  
Division of Corporations

March 6, 2018

CORPORATION SERVICE COMPANY

Re: Document Number F00000002797

Having fulfilled the requirements of section 607.1520 or 617.1520, F.S., on March 5, 2018, this Certificate of Withdrawal is hereby issued to BIRCH TELECOM OF THE SOUTH, INC., a Delaware corporation, in accordance with said statute. The corporation may now withdraw from the state of Florida.

Your certification is enclosed.

Should you have any questions regarding this matter, please telephone (850) 245-6050, the Amendment Filing Section.

Claretha Golden  
Regulatory Specialist II  
Division of Corporations

Letter Number: 218A00004468

Account number: I20000000195

Amount charged: 43.75

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# State of Florida



## Department of State

I certify the attached is a true and correct copy of the Application for Withdrawal of Authority, filed on March 5, 2018, for BIRCH TELECOM OF THE SOUTH, INC., a Delaware corporation which was authorized to transact business or conduct affairs in Florida, as shown by the records of this office.

The document number of this corporation is F00000002797.

Given under my hand and the  
Great Seal of the State of Florida  
at Tallahassee, the Capital, this the  
Sixth day of March, 2018



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*Ken Detzner*

Ken Detzner  
Secretary of State



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**APPLICATION BY FOREIGN CORPORATION FOR WITHDRAWAL OF  
AUTHORITY TO TRANSACT BUSINESS OR CONDUCT AFFAIRS IN FLORIDA**

Birch Telecom of the South, Inc.  
\_\_\_\_\_  
(Name of Corporation)

F00000002797  
\_\_\_\_\_  
(Document Number of Corporation (if known))

Delaware  
\_\_\_\_\_  
(Incorporated Under Laws of)

This corporation is no longer transacting business or conducting affairs within the State of Florida and hereby voluntarily surrenders its authority to transact business or conduct affairs in Florida.

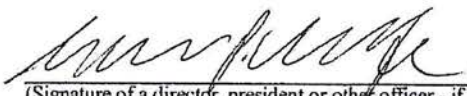
This corporation revokes the authority of its registered agent in Florida to accept service on its behalf and appoints the Department of State as its agent for service of process based on a cause of action arising during the time it was authorized to transact business or conduct affairs in Florida.

The following is a current mailing address for the corporation:

320 Interstate North Parkway SE  
\_\_\_\_\_  
(Mailing Address)

Atlanta, GA 30339  
\_\_\_\_\_  
(City/ State /Zip)

The corporation agrees to notify the Department of State in the future of any change in its mailing address.

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature of a director, president or other officer - if in the hands of a receiver or other court appointed fiduciary, by that fiduciary)

February 8, 2018  
\_\_\_\_\_  
(Date)

Gordon P. Williams, Jr.  
\_\_\_\_\_  
(Typed or printed name of person signing)

Senior VP, Secretary and General Counsel  
\_\_\_\_\_  
(Title of person signing)

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