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Public Utility Commission
Attn: Rosemary Chiavetta
Secretary's Building
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Harrisburg, PA 17105-3265

Re: Petition for Approval of Interconnection Agreement Between Windstream Pennsylvania, LLC and Salsgiver Telecom, Inc.

Dear Ms. Chiavetta,

Please find enclosed a petition, one original and three copies of an interconnection agreement between Windstream Pennsylvania, LLC ("Windstream") and Salsgiver Telecom, Inc. ("Salsgiver") for filing with the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission. Also enclosed is an electronic version of the interconnection agreement in PDF format.

If you would please ensure filing with the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission and provide the PUC date stamped copy of this cover letter back in the enclosed envelope at your convenience as well as the subsequent commission approval back to me via email (scott.a.terry@windstream.com) and/or to my address, including mailstop in the address block above.

If you have any questions regarding this filing, please don't hesitate to give me a call at 501-748-5397. Thank you in advance for your assistance.

Sincerely,


Scott A. Terry

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Before The
PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

Petition for Approval of an :
Interconnection Agreement under :
Section 252 of the : Docket No.
Telecommunications Act of 1996 :
between Windstream Pennsylvania, :
LLC and Salsgiver Telecom, Inc.

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PETITION

NOW COME, Windstream Pennsylvania, LLC ("Windstream") and Salsgiver Telecom, Inc. ("Salsgiver") and respectfully submit to the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission ("Commission") for approval, the attached Interconnection Agreement ("Agreement") under the Telecommunications Act of 1996 ("TA-96") and the Commission's Order entered June 3, 1996, In Re: Implementation of the Telecommunications Act of 1996, Docket No. M-00960799. The Agreement provides for interconnection between the two companies, thereby facilitating Salsgiver's provision of service to customers in Pennsylvania. Windstream and Salsgiver, therefore, respectfully request that the Commission approve the Agreement. In support of this request, Windstream and Salsgiver state as follows:

1. Windstream is an incumbent local exchange carrier authorized to provide local exchange telecommunications services in Pennsylvania.
2. Salsgiver is a telecommunications company with offices at 301 5th Street, Freeport, PA 16299.

3. Windstream and Salsgiver have entered into the Agreement pursuant to §252 of TA-96.

4. The Agreement satisfies the requirements for Commission approval pursuant to §252(e) (2) (A) of TA-96, which provides as follows:

(2) GROUND FOR REJECTION.--The State commission may only reject--

(A) an agreement (or any portion thereof) under subsection (a) if it finds that --

(i) the agreement (or portion thereof) discriminates against a telecommunications carrier not a party to the agreement; or

(ii) the implementation of such agreement or portion is not consistent with the public interest, convenience, and necessity[.]

5. The Agreement does not discriminate against any other telecommunications carrier as required by Section 252(e)(2)(A)(i). Other carriers are not bound by the Agreement and remain free to negotiate independently with Windstream pursuant to Section 252 of TA-96.

6. The Agreement is consistent with the public interest, convenience and necessity as required by Section 252(e)(2)(A)(ii). It will facilitate the continuation of Salsgiver' provision of service to its customers, and it will promote competition, thereby fostering the goals of TA-96.

APPROVAL OF THE AGREEMENT

7. Under Section 252(e)(4) of TA-96, the Commission has ninety (90) days to approve or reject the Agreement. The parties request that the Commission approve the Agreement without revision as quickly as possible, consistent with the public interest.

WHEREFORE, Windstream respectfully requests that the Commission approve the attached Interconnection Agreement pursuant to TA-96.

Respectfully submitted,

Windstream Pennsylvania, LLC

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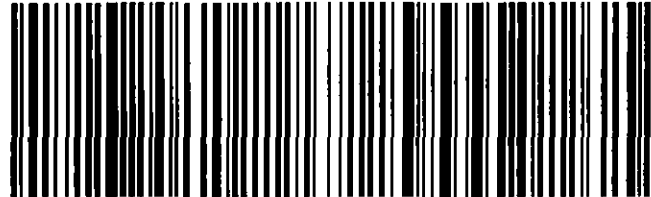
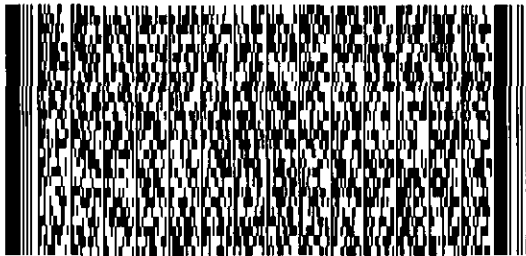
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