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ALLEGATION OR SUBJECT

APPLICATION OF GRANITE TELECOMMUNICATIONS LLC FOR APPROVAL TO OFFER, RENDER, FURNISH OR SUPPLY TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES AS A RESELLER OF TOLL SERVICES TO THE PUBLIC IN THE COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA.

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Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission
Commonwealth Keystone Building
400 North Street, Second Floor - Room N201
Harrisburg, Pennsylvania 17120

PA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
SECRETARY'S BUREAU

RE: Granite Telecommunications, LLC ("Granite")
Application for Approval to Offer, Render, Furnish or Supply Telecommunications Services
to the Public in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania ("Application for Approval")

Dear Mr. McNulty:

A-311204

Enclosed please find an original and three (3) copies of Granite's Application for Approval and a check in the amount of \$250.00 in payment of the filing fee. Granite respectfully requests that any and all financial data submitted as part of this Application be treated by the Commission as confidential, proprietary information, not to be released to the public. Accordingly, Granite's financial information is filed herewith, and appended to a copy of Granite's application to be filed with the Bureau of Fixed Utility Services, under seal, as Exhibit F.

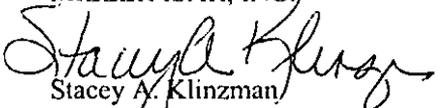
As required by Commission regulation, redacted copies of Granite's application have been served on the required parties, except that copies served on Incumbent Local Exchange Carriers include the application and proposed local tariff only.

Please acknowledge receipt of this filing by date-stamping and returning the additional copy of this transmittal letter in the self-addressed, postage-paid envelope provided for this purpose.

If I can be of any assistance to you in your review of Granite's Application for Approval, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

MILLER ISAR, INC.


Stacey A. Klinzman
Director - Regulatory Compliance

Enclosures

cc: Service List
Geoff Cookman, Granite Telecommunications, LLC

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BEFORE THE PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
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PA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
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In the Matter of the Application of:)
Granite Telecommunications, LLC)
for Approval to Offer, Render, Furnish)
or Supply Telecommunications)
Services to the Public in the)
Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.)

Dated: A-311204

APPLICATION

Granite Telecommunications, LLC ("Applicant"), in accordance with Form PUC-377, hereby applies for approval from the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission ("Commission") to supply facilities-based and resold local exchange services and resold interexchange services in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. In support of its Application, Applicant provides the following information:

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1. **IDENTITY OF THE APPLICANT:**

The name, address, telephone number and facsimile number of the Applicant is:

Granite Telecommunications, LLC
234 Copeland Street
Quincy, Massachusetts 02169
Telephone: (617) 847-1500
Facsimile: (617) 847-0931

Applicant has no predecessors. Applicant has not conducted operations under any other names.

2. **ATTORNEY:**

The name, address, telephone number, and fax number of the Applicant's attorney is:

Applicant has no attorney for purposes of this Application.

3. CONTACTS:

A) APPLICATION:

The name, title, address, telephone number, and fax number of the person to whom communications and correspondence regarding this application should be addressed is:

Stacey A. Klinzman
Director – Regulatory Compliance
Miller Isar, Inc.
7901 Skansie Avenue
Gig Harbor, WA 98335
Telephone: (253) 851-6700
Facsimile: (253) 851-6474

B) PENNSYLVANIA EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY (PEMA):

Applicant's contact for PEMA is:

Mr. Geoff Cookman
Director – Regulatory Compliance
Granite Telecommunications, LLC
234 Copeland Street
Quincy, Massachusetts 02169
Telephone: (617) 847-1500
Facsimile: (617) 847-0931

C) RESOLVING COMPLAINTS:

The name, address, telephone number, and FAX number of the primary individual and of an alternate individual responsible for addressing customer complaints are:

Mr. Geoff Cookman
Director – Regulatory Compliance
Granite Telecommunications, LLC
234 Copeland Street
Quincy, Massachusetts 02169
Telephone: (617) 847-1500
Facsimile: (617) 847-0931

4. FICTITIOUS NAME:

The Applicant will not be using a fictitious name.

5. BUSINESS ENTITY AND DEPARTMENT OF STATE FILINGS:

The Applicant is a foreign limited liability company organized in the State of Delaware on April 1, 2002. Copies of Applicant's Certificate of Formation and a Certificate of Authority to operate in Pennsylvania are attached as **Exhibits A and B**.

The name and address of Applicant's registered agent is:

National Registered Agents
600 North Second Street, Suite 500
Harrisburg, Pennsylvania 17101

The names and addresses of members who have assumed responsibilities of corporate officers in the limited liability company are:

Robert T. Hale, Jr., President
Granite Telecommunications, LLC
234 Copeland Street
Quincy, Massachusetts 02169
Telephone: 617.847.1500
Facsimile: 617.847.0931

Rand Carrier, Vice President - Operations
Granite Telecommunications, LLC
234 Copeland Street
Quincy, Massachusetts 02169
Telephone: 617.847.1500
Facsimile: 617.847.0931

6. AFFILIATES AND PREDECESSORS WITHIN PENNSYLVANIA:

Applicant's has no affiliates doing business or predecessors which have done business in Pennsylvania. The members of Granite Telecommunications, Inc., Robert T. Hale, Jr. and Robert T. Hale, Sr., are currently directors of Network Plus, Inc.

7. AFFILIATES AND PREDECESSORS RENDERING PUBLIC UTILITY SERVICE OUTSIDE PENNSYLVANIA:

Applicant has no affiliates rendering or predecessors which rendered public utility service outside Pennsylvania. The members of Granite Telecommunications, Inc., Robert T. Hale, Jr. and Robert T. Hale, Sr., are currently directors of Network Plus, Inc.

8. APPLICANT'S PRESENT OPERATIONS:

The Applicant is not presently doing business in Pennsylvania as a public utility.

9. APPLICANT'S PROPOSED OPERATIONS:

The Applicant proposes to operate as a Competitive Local Exchange Carrier offering non-facilities-based and facilities-based services, and as an Interexchange Toll Reseller.

Applicant seeks authority to provide facilities-based local exchange services using Unbundled Network Elements (UNE) leased or purchased from Pennsylvania certificated facilities-based carriers. Applicant may want to purchase or construct facilities, including switches and network facilities, in the future. Applicant also will resell the local and interexchange services of other certificated carriers.

10. PROPOSED SERVICES:

Applicant intends to offer local services including, but not limited to basic local service and custom calling features to business and residential customers. Applicant intends to offer interexchange service including, but not limited to "One Plus" inbound and outbound service and calling card services to business and residential customers. Applicant's proposed services are set forth in its proposed tariffs attached as **Exhibits C & D**.

11. SERVICE AREA:

Applicant requests authority to provide resold interexchange services throughout the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. Applicant requests authority to provide resold and facilities-based local exchange services in areas served by Verizon Pennsylvania, Verizon North and United Telecommunications Company of Pennsylvania. As required by Commission rules, and evidenced by the attached Certificate of Service, a copy of this application, without financial attachments, and a copy of Applicant's proposed local tariff has been served on the appropriate individuals at Verizon Pennsylvania, Verizon North and United Telecommunications Company of Pennsylvania.

12. MARKET:

Applicant proposes to first provide services to residential and business customers. Initially, Applicant will serve customers in the Pittsburgh and Philadelphia metropolitan areas. Applicant expects to expand its operations throughout its service area once appropriate facilities become available and necessary agreements with underlying carriers are finalized.

13. PROPOSED TARIFF(S):

Applicant's proposed toll reseller tariff is attached hereto as **Exhibit C**. Applicant's proposed facilities-based and resold local exchange tariff is attached as **Exhibit D**.

14. FINANCIAL:

Applicant considers information concerning its finances to be confidential information not to be released to the public. Accordingly, the financial information attached as **Exhibit E** is filed under seal and in an envelope labeled "CONFIDENTIAL AND PROPRIETARY." It is Applicant's understanding that Commission staff will honor Applicant's request for confidential treatment of these documents without the necessity of filing a motion for protective order.

A tentative operating balance sheet and projected income statement for the first year of Applicant's operations in Pennsylvania is not available as Applicant does not have the capability of determining projected income on a state by state basis. Furthermore, bond ratings, letters of credit, credit reports, insurance coverage and reports, and major contracts are also not available.

However, the financial information filed herewith should fully satisfy the Commission that Applicant has sound financial backing.

The name, title, address, telephone number and fax number of the Applicant's custodian for its accounting records and supporting documentation is:

Rand Currier, Vice President - Operations
Granite Telecommunications, LLC
234 Copeland Street
Quincy, Massachusetts 02169
Telephone: 617.847.1500
Facsimile: 617.847.0931

Applicant will keep its books and records at its head office in Quincy, Massachusetts.

15. START DATE:

The Applicant proposes to begin offering services upon obtaining provisional authority to begin operations from the Commission.

16. FURTHER DEVELOPMENTS:

At this time, Applicant knows of no further developments or related proceedings before the Commission.

17. NOTICE:

As required under 52 Pa. Code §5.14, copies of this application and attachments have been mailed to the parties listed below. In addition, copies of this Application have been served upon the Incumbent Local Exchange Carriers in the areas where Applicant proposes to provide service. A Certificate of Service is attached to the Application.

Office of Consumer Advocate
555 Walnut Street
5th Floor, Forum Place
Harrisburg, PA 17101-1923

Office of Small Business Advocate
Commerce Building, Suite 1102
300 North Second Street
Harrisburg, PA 17101

Office of the Attorney General
Office of Consumer Protection
Strawberry Square, 14th Floor
Harrisburg, PA 17120

18. FEDERAL TELECOMMUNICATIONS ACT OF 1996:

Applicant does not claim any particular status pursuant to the Federal Telecommunications Act of 1996.

19. COMPLIANCE:

Neither Applicant, any affiliate or predecessor of Applicant, nor any person identified in this Application has been convicted of a crime involving fraud or similar activity. Neither Applicant, any affiliate or predecessor of Applicant, nor any person identified in this Application has been involved in any proceedings before an administrative body or in a judicial forum as a defendant or respondent.

20. FALSIFICATION:

The Applicant understands that the making of false statement(s) herein may be grounds for denying the Application or, if later discovered, for revoking any authority granted pursuant to the Application. This Application is subject to 18 Pa. C.S. §§4903 and 4904, relating to perjury and falsification in official matters.

21. CESSATION:

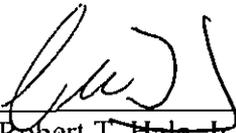
The Applicant understands that if it plans to cease doing business within the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, it is under a duty to request authority from the Commission for permission prior to ceasing business.

(Signature Next Page)

WHEREFORE, Granite Telecommunications, LLC requests the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission grant it a Certificate authorizing the provision of resold and facilities based local service and resold interexchange telecommunications services to the public in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Respectfully submitted, this 28 day of JUNE, 2002.

Granite Telecommunications, LLC

By: 
Robert T. Hale, Jr., President
Granite Telecommunications, LLC
234 Copeland Street
Quincy, Massachusetts 02169
Telephone: 617.847.1500
Facsimile: 617.847.0942

Miller Isar, Inc.
3220 Uddenberg Lane, Suite 4
Gig Harbor, Washington 98335

Telephone: (253) 851-6700
Facsimile: (253) 851-6474

Applicant's Regulatory Consultants

State of Massachusetts :
: ss.
County of Norfolk :

Robert T. Hale, Jr., Affiant, being duly sworn according to law, deposes and says that:

He is a member of Granite Telecommunications, LLC;

That he is authorized to and does make this affidavit for said limited liability company;

That Granite Telecommunications, LLC, the Applicant herein, acknowledges that it may have an obligation to serve or to continue to serve the public by virtue of the Applicant commencing the rendering of service pursuant to this Application consistent with the Public Utility Code of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Title 66 of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes; with the Federal Telecommunications Act of 1996, signed February 6, 1996, or with other applicable statutes or regulations;

That Granite Telecommunications, LLC, the Applicant herein, asserts that it possesses the requisite technical, managerial, and financial fitness to render public utility service within the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and that the Applicant will abide by all applicable federal and state laws and regulations and by the decisions of the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission.

That Granite Telecommunications, LLC, the Applicant herein, asserts that it is in the process of contacting the appropriate 911 Coordinator(s), and that arrangements will be made for the provisioning of emergency 911 service in each of the Counties/Cities where service is to be provided; and

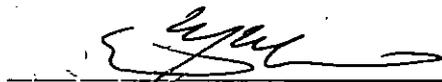
That the facts above set forth are true and correct to the best of his knowledge, information and belief, and that he expects said entity to be able to prove the same at any hearing thereof.

(Signature and Notarization Next Page)



Signature of Affiant

Sworn and subscribe before me this 26th day of JUNE, 2002.
Month Year



Signature of official administering oath

Garrett M. McGurrin
Notary Public

My Commission expires Nov. 12, 2004

COMMONWEALTH

VERIFICATION STATEMENT

State of Massachusetts :

: ss.

County of Norfolk :

Robert T. Hale, Jr., Affiant, being duly sworn according to law, deposes and says that:

He is a member of Granite Telecommunications, LLC;

That he is authorized to and does make this affidavit for said limited liability company; and

That the facts above set forth are true and correct to the best of his knowledge, information, and belief and that he expects said corporation to be able to prove the same at any hearing hereof.



Signature of Affiant

Sworn and subscribed before me this 26th day of June, 2002.
Month Year


Signature of official administering oath

Garrett M. McGurrin
Notary Public

My Commission expires: Nov. 12, 2004

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EXHIBIT A
CERTIFICATE OF ORGANIZATION

(Attached)

Delaware

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The First State

I, HARRIET SMITH WINDSOR, SECRETARY OF STATE OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE, DO HEREBY CERTIFY THE ATTACHED IS A TRUE AND CORRECT COPY OF THE CERTIFICATE OF FORMATION OF "GRANITE TELECOMMUNICATIONS, LLC", FILED IN THIS OFFICE ON THE FIRST DAY OF APRIL, A.D. 2002, AT 9 O'CLOCK A.M.



Harriet Smith Windsor

Harriet Smith Windsor, Secretary of State

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AUTHENTICATION: 1700104

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DATE: 04-03-02

STATE OF DELAWARE
SECRETARY OF STATE
DIVISION OF CORPORATIONS
FILED 09:00 AM 04/01/2002
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STATE of DELAWARE LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY CERTIFICATE of FORMATION

• **First:** The name of the limited liability company is GRANITE TELECOMMUNICATIONS, LLC

• **Second:** The address of its registered office in the State of Delaware is _____
101 North Fairfield Drive in the City of Dover

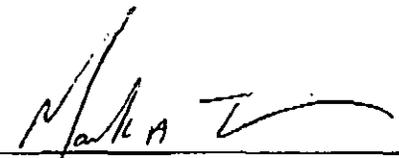
The name of its Registered agent at such address is _____
Corporate Systems Inc.

• **Third:** (Use this paragraph only if the company is to have a specific effective date of dissolution.) "~~The business on which the limited liability company is to operate is~~"

• **Fourth:** (Insert any other matters the members determine to include herein.)

In Witness Whereof, the undersigned have executed this Certificate of Formation of

GRANITE TELECOMMUNICATIONS, LLC this 1st day of April, 2002

BY: 
Authorized Person(s)

NAME: Mark A. Tanner
Type or Print

EXHIBIT B
CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORITY

(Attached)

PENNSYLVANIA DEPARTMENT OF STATE
CORPORATION BUREAU
ROOM 206 NORTH OFFICE BUILDING
P.O. BOX 8722
HARRISBURG, PA 17105-8722

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GRANITE TELECOMMUNICATIONS, LLC

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COMMONWEALTH. THE CORPORATION BUREAU IS HERE TO SERVE YOU AND WANTS
TO THANK YOU FOR DOING BUSINESS IN PENNSYLVANIA. IF YOU HAVE ANY
QUESTIONS PERTAINING TO THE CORPORATION BUREAU, PLEASE VISIT OUR WEB
SITE LOCATED AT WWW.DOS.STATE.PA.US/CORPS OR CALL (717) 787-1057.

ENTITY NUMBER: 3067982

MICROFILM NUMBER: 2002041

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SUE WILLETT
MILLER ISAR INC
7901 SKANSIE AVE STE 240
GIG HARBOR WA 98335

PENNSYLVANIA DEPARTMENT OF STATE
CORPORATION BUREAU

Application for Registration - Foreign

(15 Pa.C.S.)

Entity Number
3067982

- Registered Limited Liability General Partnership (§ 8211)
- Registered Limited Liability Limited Partnership (§ 8211)
- Limited Partnership (§ 8582)
- Limited Liability Company (§ 8981)

Name
Sue Willett c/of Miller Isar, Inc.

Address
7901 Skansie Ave., Suite 240

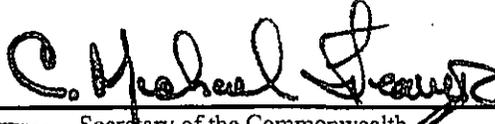
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Gig Harbor, WA 98335

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 ACTING Secretary of the Commonwealth

In compliance with the requirements of the applicable provisions (relating to registration), the undersigned, desiring to register to do business in this Commonwealth, hereby states that:

1. The name to be registered is:
Granite Telecommunications, LLC

2. (If the name set forth in paragraph 1 is not available for use in this Commonwealth, complete the following):

The name under which the limited liability company/limited liability partnership/limited partnership proposes to register and do business in this Commonwealth is:

3. The name of the jurisdiction under the laws of which it was organized and the date of its formation:

Jurisdiction: Delaware Date of Formation: April 1, 2002

4. The (a) address of its initial registered office in this Commonwealth or (b) name of its commercial registered office provider and the county of venue is:

(a) Number and street	City	State	Zip	County
<u>Delaware</u>				
(b) Name of Commercial Registered Office Provider				County
<u>National Registered Agents, Inc.</u>				<u>Dauphin</u>

PA. DEPT. OF STATE

EXHIBIT C
TOLL RESELLER TARIFF

(Attached)

REGULATIONS AND SCHEDULE OF CHARGES

APPLYING TO

RESELLER OF INTEREXCHANGE TOLL SERVICES

WITHIN THE COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA

Provided by
Granite Telecommunications, LLC
234 Copeland Street
Quincy, Massachusetts 02169

This tariff contains the descriptions, regulations, and rates applicable to the furnishing of resold interexchange toll services within the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania provided by Granite Telecommunications, LLC ("Company"). This tariff is on file with the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission ("Commission"). Copies may be inspected during normal business hours at Company's principal place of business, 234 Copeland Street, Quincy, Massachusetts 02169.

Issued:
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Effective Date:

Robert T. Hale, Jr.
Granite Telecommunications, LLC
234 Copeland Street
Quincy, Massachusetts 02169

LIST OF CHANGES MADE BY THIS SUPPLEMENT

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CHECK SHEET

The Title Page and remaining pages of this Tariff are effective as of the date shown at the bottom of the respective page(s). Revised pages as named below contain all changes from the original filing that are in effect on the date listed.

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CONCURRING CARRIERS

None

CONNECTING CARRIERS

None

OTHER PARTICIPATING CARRIERS

None

EXPLANATION OF SYMBOLS

- (I) To signify a **increase** in rates.
- (D) To signify a **decrease** in rates.
- (C) To signify any other changes.

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APPLICATION OF TARIFF

- A. This tariff contains the descriptions, regulations and rates applicable to the furnishing of resold intraLATA and interLATA Toll Services within the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania by Granite Telecommunications, LLC.
- B. This tariff is in concurrence with all applicable State and Federal laws (including but not limited to, 52 Pa. Code, 66 Pa. C.S., the Telecommunications Act of 1996), and with the Commission's applicable rules, regulations and orders. Any provisions contained in this tariff that are inconsistent with the foregoing mentioned will be deemed inoperative and superceded. The rates, rules, terms and conditions contained herein are subject to change pursuant to the rules and regulations of the Commission.
- C. The rates and regulations contained in this Tariff apply only to the intrastate telecommunications Services furnished by Company and do not apply, unless otherwise specified, to the lines, facilities, or the services provided by a Local Exchange Carrier or other common Carrier for use in accessing the Services of Company. This Tariff does not cover any information service or other unregulated service offered by Company. Company will offer any information or other unregulated service in accordance with Company's current price list or contract, whichever applies to the particular customer.
- D. Company may not be deemed to have waived or impaired any right, power, requirement or option reserved by this Tariff (including, but not limited to, the right to demand exact compliance with every term and condition herein), by virtue of any custom or practice of Company at variance with the terms hereof, or any failure, refusal or neglect of Company to exercise any right under this Tariff or to insist upon exact compliance with its terms, or any waiver, forbearance, delay, failure or omission by Company to exercise any right, power or option hereunder.
- E. This tariff will be maintained and made available for inspection by any Customer at Company's principal business office at 234 Copeland Street, Quincy, Massachusetts 02169.

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Issued By:

Robert T. Hale, Jr.
Granite Telecommunications, LLC
234 Copeland Street
Quincy, Massachusetts 02169

SECTION 1 - TECHNICAL TERMS AND ABBREVIATIONS

Certain terms used generally throughout this Tariff for Services of Company are defined below.

Authorized User:

A person, firm, corporation or other entity that either is authorized by the Customer to use Service or is placed in a position by the Customer, either through acts or omissions, to use Service.

Business Service:

A Service that conforms to one or more of the following criteria:

- A. the Service is primarily for paid commercial, professional or institutional activity;
or
- B. the Service is situated in a commercial, professional or institutional location, or other location serving primarily or substantially as a site of an activity for pay; or
- C. the Service number is listed as the principal or only number for a business in any telecommunications directory; or
- D. the Service is used to conduct promotions, solicitations, or market research for which compensation or reimbursement is paid or provided. However, such use of Service, without compensation or reimbursement, for a charitable or civic purpose will not constitute business use of Service unless other criteria apply.

Called Station:

The terminating point of a call (i.e., the called number).

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Carrier:

A company authorized by the Pennsylvania Public Utilities Commission to provide telecommunications services.

Channel:

A communications path between two or more points of termination.

Collect Call:

A billing arrangement where a call is billed to the called station.

Commission:

The Pennsylvania Public Utilities Commission

Company:

Granite Telecommunications, LLC ("Granite")

Customer:

The person, firm, corporation or other entity which orders or uses Service and is responsible for payment of charges and compliance with tariff regulation.

Customer Premises:

A location(s) designated by the Customer for the purposes of connecting to Company's Services.

Customer Premises Equipment (CPE):

Equipment located at the Customer's Premises for use with Company's Services.

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Disconnect or Disconnection:

The termination of a circuit connection between the Originating Station and the Called Station or Company's operator.

Facility:

Includes, in the aggregate or otherwise, but is not limited to, the following:

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| channels | lines |
| apparatus | devices |
| equipment | accessories |
| communications paths | systems |

which are provided by Company and utilized by it in the furnishing of telecommunications Services or which are provided by a Customer and used for telecommunications purposes.

Force Majeure:

Causes beyond Company's control, including but not limited to: acts of God, fire, flood explosion or other catastrophes; any law, order, regulation, direction, action or request of the United Commonwealths Government, or of any other government, including state and local governments having or claiming jurisdiction over Company, or of any department, agency, commission, bureau, corporation, or other instrumentality of any one or more of these federal, state, or local governments, or of any civil or military authority; national emergencies; insurrection, riots, wars, unavailability of rights-of-way or materials; or strikes, lock-outs, work stoppages, fraudulent acts of a third party, or other labor difficulties.

Holidays:

New Year's Day, Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Day, or any day which is a legally observed federal government holiday.

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LATA:

Local Access and Transport Area ("LATA"). A geographic area established for the provision and administration of communications service. A LATA encompasses designated exchanges, which are grouped to serve common social, economic and other purposes.

Local Exchange Carrier:

A company which furnishes local exchange telecommunications service.

Local Service:

Telephone exchange service within a local calling area.

Person-to-Person:

A call for which the person originating the call specifies to the operator a particular person, department or extension to be reached.

Premises:

A building or buildings or contiguous property, not separated by a public highway or right-of-way.

Residential Service:

A service which does not meet the definition of a business service and conforms to the following criteria:

- A. the use of the Service is primarily and substantially of a social or domestic nature; and
- B. the Service is located in a residence, or in the case of a combined business and residential Premises, the service is located in the residential section of the Premises.

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Service(s):

The intrastate telecommunications Services that Company offers pursuant to this Tariff.

Station:

Each telephone on a line where no telephone number associated with the line is provided on the same premises and in the same building; the first termination in station key equipment or a jack for use with a portable telephone.

Station-to-Station:

Any operator handled call where the person originating the call does not specify a particular person to be reached, or a particular station, room number, department, or office to be reached through a PBX attendant.

Telecommunications Relay Service (TRS):

Enables deaf, hard-of-hearing or speech-impaired persons who use a text telephone or similar devices, to communicate freely with the hearing population not using text telephone and visa versa.

White Pages Directory Listing:

A directory listing found in the local White Pages telephone directory.

Working Day:

Any day on which Company's business office is open and the U.S. Mail is delivered.

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2.1. UNDERTAKING OF COMPANY

- 2.1.1. Company undertakes to provide Services subject to the terms and conditions of this Tariff.
- 2.1.2. Company's Services are furnished for telecommunications originating and/or terminating in any area within the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
- 2.1.3. Company offers Services to Customers for the transmission and reception of voice, data, and other types of communications.
- 2.1.4. Company does not transmit messages pursuant to this Tariff, but its Services may be used for that purpose.
- 2.1.5. Company's Services are provided on a monthly basis unless otherwise provided, and are available twenty-four (24) hours per day, seven (7) days per week.
- 2.1.6. Company may, at Company's sole discretion, elect to employ third parties to perform any of its obligations under this tariff.

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SECTION 2 - RULES AND REGULATIONS, Continued**2.2. CUSTOMER'S USE OF SERVICE**

- 2.2.1. Service may be used for any lawful purpose consistent with this Tariff and with the transmission and switching parameters of the telecommunications facilities utilized in the provision of Services.
- 2.2.2. Equipment Company provides or installs at the Customer's premises for use in connection with the Services Company offers may not be used for any other purpose other than for which Company provided it. Customer may not, and may not permit others to, rearrange, disconnect, remove, attempt to repair, or otherwise interfere with any of the Services or equipment installed by Company or Company's agent, except upon the consent of Company.
- 2.2.3. The Services Company offers may not be used for any unlawful purpose or for any use as to which the Customer has not obtained all governmental approvals, authorizations, licenses, consents and permits required to be obtained by Customer with respect thereto.
- 2.2.4. Service may not be used for any purpose for which the Customer receives any payment or other compensation, except when the Customer is a duly authorized and regulated common carrier, receives any payment or other compensation. This provision does not prohibit an arrangement between the Customer or Authorized User to share the cost of Service.
- 2.2.5. Service may not be used in any manner, which interferes with other persons in the use of their Service, prevents other persons from using their Service, otherwise impairs the quality of Service to other Customers, or impairs the privacy of any communications over any Service provided by Company. Company may require a Customer to shut down its transmission of signals if said transmission is causing interference to others.
- 2.2.6. Service may not be used in any manner so as to annoy, abuse, threaten, or harass other persons.

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- 2.2.7. The use of Company's Services either without payment for Service or attempting to avoid payment for Service by fraudulent means or devices, schemes, false or invalid numbers, or false calling or credit cards is prohibited.
- 2.2.8. The Customer obtains no property right or interest in the use of any specific type of facility, Service, equipment, telephone number, process or code. All rights, titles and interests remain, at all times, solely with Company.
- 2.2.9. Customer's use of any resold service obtained from other service providers is also subject to any applicable restrictions in the underlying provider's publicly available tariffs.

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- 2.3.1. A Customer desiring to obtain Service must complete the appropriate service order form and submit the service order in compliance with Company subscription requirements as may be established from time to time.
- 2.3.2. The name(s) of the Customer(s) desiring to use the Service must be set forth in the application for Service.
- 2.3.3. Company reserves the right to refuse an application for Service made by a present or former Customer who is indebted to Company for Service previously rendered pursuant to this Tariff until the indebtedness is satisfied. Company may also refuse an application when, in Company's sole discretion, provision of Service is precluded under Section 2.6 below.
- 2.3.4. Request for Service under this Tariff will authorize Company to conduct a credit search on the Customer. Company reserves the right to refuse Service on the basis of credit history and to refuse further Service due to late payment or nonpayment by the Customer.
- 2.3.5. Where the Customer cancels an application for Service, a cancellation charge will apply as specified in the Cancellation or Modification of Service by Customer Section of this Tariff.
- 2.3.6. Company may require an applicant for Service, who intends to use Company's offerings for resale and/or for shared use, to file a letter with Company confirming that the applicant's use of Company's offerings complies with relevant laws and Commission regulations, policies, orders, and decisions.

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2.4. DEPOSITS

- 2.4.1. Company may require a deposit from an applicant for new Service. A deposit may be waived if, according to Company's assessment, the applicant is a satisfactory credit risk.
- 2.4.2. Company may require a deposit from an existing business Customer as a condition to the further provision of Service if, according to Company's assessment, the Customer has become a credit risk.
- 2.4.3. Company will calculate the maximum deposit required from an applicant for Service or an existing customer by estimating the expected charges for Service for a two (2) month period. Company may adjust the amount of deposit to be held in order to maintain a two (2) month estimated amount when, according to Company's assessment, such adjustment is deemed necessary to adequately secure the account.
- 2.4.4. Customer's may satisfy deposit requirements as follows:
 - A. In cash,
 - B. By an acceptable bank letter of credit,
 - C. Through an acceptable third-party guarantee (Residential Service Customers only),
 - D. Other forms of security acceptable to Company.

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2.4. DEPOSITS, Continued

- 2.4.5. Deposits will be refunded to Residential Service Customers, along with accrued interest, when one (1) of the following is met:
- A. Service has been terminated or discontinued; or
 - B. The Customer has established acceptable credit as outlined in the as specified elsewhere in this Tariff; or
 - C. A Customer is not currently delinquent and has made timely payment of bills for a period of twelve (12) consecutive months. Timely payment means that no more than two (2) bills during the previous twelve (12) months were paid beyond the due date. A refund shall not be made if Service has been suspended for non-payment within the previous twelve (12) months.
- 2.4.6. Deposits will be refunded to Business Service Customers at the sole discretion of Company.
- 2.4.7. When Service has been terminated or disconnected, Company will deduct any and all unpaid amounts from the deposit, and the difference will be refunded, if applicable.
- 2.4.8. Interest rates applied to Residential Customers' deposits held by Company are based on the average of 1-year US Treasury Bills for the months of September, October and November of the previous year.
- 2.4.9. Interest rates applied to Business Customers' deposits held by Company are based on the average of 1-year US Treasury Bills for the months of September, October and November of the previous year.

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2.5. CREDIT

- 2.5.1. Company, in order to ensure payment of its charges for Service or for loss of or damage to Company property, will require Applicants and Customers to establish and maintain credit. The establishment or re-establishment of credit as provided in this Section does not relieve an applicant or Customer from compliance with other provisions of this Tariff as to the payment of bills and in no way modifies the Sections regarding disconnection and termination of Service for failure to pay bills due for Service furnished.
- 2.5.2. Company may require any applicant or Customer to establish and maintain credit in one of the following ways:
- A. Demonstrating credit satisfactory to Company by providing information pertinent to the applicant's or Customer's credit standing;
 - B. Providing a suitable guarantee in writing, in a form prescribed by Company;
or
 - C. Paying a cash deposit pursuant to Section 2.4.

Company may determine, in its sole discretion, whether or not a particular reference or guarantee in writing would be acceptable as a substitute for demonstrating satisfactory credit.

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- 2.5.3. Company will extend credit to an applicant for new Service without a deposit if the applicant has verifiable previous or existing telephone service with any telephone company in the United Commonwealths for at least twelve (12) months, and the payment record is made available and the account history is satisfactory. The payment record of an account will be deemed satisfactory if all the following are met:
- A. The previous or existing service was not discontinued for nonpayment, and was not abandoned, within the past twelve (12) months; and
 - B. The applicant has not been sent denial notices for previous or existing service within the past twelve (12) months; and
 - C. The applicant has paid for all previous and existing service without referral to a collection agency and without a declaration of uncollectibility; and
 - D. The applicant provides accurate credit information as appropriate.
- 2.5.4. To safeguard its interests, Company may require a Customer to make an advance payment before Services are furnished. The advance payment will not exceed an amount equal to the nonrecurring charge(s) and one (1) month's recurring charges for the Service. In addition, where special construction is involved, the advance payment may also include an amount equal to the estimated nonrecurring charges for the special construction and recurring charges for a period to be set between Company and the Customer (if any). The advance payment will be credited to the Customer's initial bill. An advance payment will be required in addition to a deposit.

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2.5. CREDIT, Continued

- 2.5.5. Customer credit information may be exchanged between telecommunications companies and other utilities. Customer credit information will be retained for two (2) years, unless otherwise required by the Commission.
- 2.5.6. If an applicant for Service is unable to provide satisfactory credit information, Company may refuse to provide Service unless the applicant furnishes a deposit pursuant to Section 2.4.

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- 2.6.1. Company will use reasonable efforts to make Service available to Customers on or before a particular date, subject to the provisions and compliance by the Customer within the provisions of this Tariff. The lack of facilities or other operational impediments, including regulatory approvals, may preclude or delay provision of Service (a) in a particular location or to a particular Customer and/or (b) at any promised performance level. Actual transmission speeds and service characteristics of a Service may vary from those expected by the Customer due to such factors as the length and gauge of the line and other operational characteristics of the equipment and facilities used.
- 2.6.2. At the request of the Customer, installation or maintenance may be performed outside of Company's regular business hours or in hazardous locations. In such cases, charges based on cost of the actual labor, material or other costs incurred by or charged by Company will apply. If installation or maintenance is started during regular business hours, but, at the Customer's request, extends beyond regular business hours into time periods including, but not limited to, weekends, holidays, and/or night hours, additional charges may apply.
- 2.6.3. Company will have control over the installation, rearrangement, repair, maintenance, and disconnection of all network elements owned or otherwise obtained to ensure the required level of Service. Company may substitute, change or rearrange any equipment or facility at any time and from time to time, but will not thereby alter the technical parameters of the Service provided to the Customer.
- 2.6.4. Company will use reasonable efforts to maintain the Service that it furnishes to the Customer. Company may make such tests, adjustments and inspections as may be necessary to maintain Company's Services and equipment in satisfactory operating condition. When possible, Company may, in its sole discretion, provide the Customer with reasonable notice of Service-affecting activities that may occur in the normal operation of Company business.

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2.6. PROVISION AND MAINTENANCE OF SERVICE, continued

- 2.6.5. Company may, upon reasonable notice, make such tests and inspections as may be necessary to determine whether the terms and conditions of this Tariff are being complied with in the installation, operation or maintenance of the Customer's or Company's facilities or equipment. If the protective requirements of Customer-provided equipment are not being complied with, Company may take such action as it deems necessary to protect its Services, equipment and personnel. Company will notify the Customer promptly if there is any need for further corrective action. Within ten (10) days of receiving this notice, the Customer must take such action. If the Customer fails to do this, Company may take whatever additional action is deemed necessary, including the suspension of Service to protect its Services, equipment and personnel from harm.
- 2.6.6. Service will continue to be provided until cancelled by the Customer on not less than thirty (30) days notice.

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- 2.7.1. The minimum Service period is one month (30 days). The Customer must pay the regular tariffed rate for Service for the minimum period of Service. If a Customer disconnects Service before the end of the minimum Service period, that Customer must pay the regular rates for the remainder of the minimum Service period. When the Service is moved within the same building, to another building on the same Premises, or to a different Premises entirely, the period of Service at each location is accumulated to calculate if the Customer has met the minimum Service period obligation.
- 2.7.2. If Service is terminated before the end of the minimum period of Service as a result of condemnation of property, damage to property requiring the Premises to be abandoned, or by the death of the Customer, the Customer is not obligated to pay for Service for the remainder of the minimum period.
- 2.7.3. If Service is transferred to a new Customer at the same Premises during the first month of Service, the new Customer assumes responsibility to meet the remainder of the minimum Service period requirements. For Services not taken over by the new Customer, the original Customer is responsible for the remaining payment for the minimum Service period obligation in accordance with the terms under which the Service was originally furnished.

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2.8. CUSTOMER RESPONSIBILITIES

- 2.8.1. The Customer is responsible for the payment of all charges for Service furnished to the Customer and for all additional charges for calls the Customer elects to continue making.
- 2.8.2. The Customer is responsible for compliance with applicable regulations set forth in this Tariff.
- 2.8.3. Upon Company request, the Customer must verify the name(s) of Authorized Users allowed to request and use the Customer's Service.
- 2.8.4. Customer will return to Company within five (5) days of termination of Service all Company-provided equipment. All returned equipment must be in the same condition as when delivered to the Customer by Company. Upon demand, Customer will reimburse Company for any costs incurred by Company due to Customer's failure to comply with this Section.
- 2.8.5. Customer is responsible for the payment of any bills for Services and for the resolution of any disputes or discrepancies with Company. Company has no responsibility with respect to billings, charges or disputes related to services used by Customer which are not included in Services herein including, without limitation, any local, regional and long distance services not provided by Company.
- 2.8.6. The Customer is responsible for establishing identity as often as is necessary during the course of the call or when seeking credits from Company.
- 2.8.7. The Customer must make arrangements or obtain permission for safe, reasonable and continuous access and right-of-way for Company employees or agents of Company to enter the Premises of the Customer or any Authorized User of the Customer at any reasonable hour for the purpose of performing Company's obligations under this Tariff.

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- 2.8.8. The Customer is responsible for the payment of (a) Service charges as set forth herein and (b) charges for visits by Company's agents or employees to the Premises of the Customer or Authorized User when the Service difficulty or trouble report results from the use of Services and equipment by the Customer or Authorized User.
- 2.8.9. Customer will, at Customer's expense, provide reasonable space, power, and level of heating and air conditioning, and otherwise maintain the proper environment to operate Company's Service at Customer's or Authorized User's premises.
- 2.8.10. The Customer may not, without prior written consent of Company, which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld, assign, transfer, or in any other manner dispose of, any of its rights, privileges, or obligations under this Tariff, and any attempt to make such an assignment, transfer, disposition without consent will be null and void.
- 2.8.11. A Customer or Authorized User may not represent in any way that the relationship between Customer or Authorized User and Company is anything other than one of customer and supplier, respectively. Nothing in this Tariff gives Customer or Authorized Users any authority to bind or otherwise incur liability on behalf of Company. Nothing in this Tariff constitutes an endorsement by Company of any activity, service or product of Customer or Authorized Users.
- 2.8.12. The Customer is responsible for any damages, including usage charges that the Customer may incur as a result of the unauthorized use of its communications equipment. The unauthorized use of the Customer's communications equipment includes, but is not limited to, the placement of calls from the Customer's Premises and the placement of calls through Customer-controlled or Customer-provisioned equipment that are transmitted or carried over Company's network without the authorization of the Customer.

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- 2.9.1. Service is provided and recurring Service charges billed on a monthly (30 day) basis. The billing date is dependent on the billing cycle assigned to the Customer.
- 2.9.2. Non-recurring charges and charges based on actual usage are billed monthly in arrears, except as provided in Section 2.9.3.
- 2.9.3. Usage charges may be billed without being detailed as to the duration, time of day, or destination of individual calls. If a Customer accumulates, within any consecutive five (5) day period, usage charges exceeding twice the average monthly usage charges for the previous two (2) monthly billing periods, and the Customer's credit record indicates that satisfactory payment may not be made on this amount, Company may issue a special usage bill. The special bill shall be due ten (10) days from the mailing date of the bill, seven (7) days if delivered.
- 2.9.4. Billing is payable upon receipt and past due thirty (30) days after issuance and posting of invoice. Billing is payable upon receipt and past due thirty (30) days after issuance and posting of invoice. Residential Customers' Bills not paid within thirty-one (31) days after the date of posting are subject to a 1.25 percent late payment charge for the unpaid balance. Business Customers' Bills not paid within thirty-one days after the date of posting are subject to a 1.5 percent late payment charge for the unpaid balance.
- 2.9.5. A Customer will not be liable for any late payment charge applicable to a disputed portion of that Customer's bill, so long as the Customer pays the undisputed portion of the bill and enters into bona fide negotiations to resolve the dispute on a timely basis, pursuant to Section 2.9.10.
- 2.9.6. Checks presented in payment for Services and subsequently returned to Company by the Customer's financial institution for "Non-Sufficient Funds" or other reasons will incur a nonrecurring charge per Customer per check.

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- 2.9.7. A Customer will be placed on a "cash only" basis upon receipt of two (2) returned checks within a twelve (12)-month period of time. "Cash only" is herein defined as cashier's checks, U.S. currency, or money orders.
- 2.9.8. Receipt of a subsequently dishonored negotiable instrument in response to a notice of discontinuance will not constitute payment of a Customer's account, and Company will not be required to issue additional notice prior to discontinuance. However, three (3) banking days must be allowed for redemption of such instrument.
- 2.9.9. Billing disputes should be addressed to Company's customer service organization via telephone to 866-847-1500. Customer service representatives are available from 9:00 AM to 6:00 PM Eastern Time. Messages may be left for Customer Services from 6:01 PM to 8:59 AM Eastern Time, which will be answered on the next business day, unless in the event of an emergency which threatens customer service, in which case Customer Service Staff may be paged.

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2.9.10. In the case of a dispute between the Customer and the Company for service furnished to the Customer, which cannot be settled with mutual satisfaction, the Customer can take the following course of action:

- A. First, the customer may request, and the Company will perform, an in-depth review of the disputed amount. The undisputed portion and subsequent bills must be paid on a timely basis or the service may be subject to disconnection.
- B. Second, if there is still disagreement over the disputed amount after the investigation and review by a manager of the Company, the Customer may appeal to the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission for its investigation and decision.
- C. The address and telephone number of the Commission are:

Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission
Bureau of Consumer Services
Commonwealth Keystone Building
Commonwealth and North Streets
Harrisburg, Pennsylvania 17120

Telephone: 717.783.5187
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Customer must pay, without limitation, all sales, use, gross receipts, excise, access, bypass, and other local, state and federal taxes, charges, fees, and surcharges, however designated, imposed on or based upon the provision, sale or use of the Services (excluding taxes on Company's net income). Such taxes may be separately stated on the applicable invoice.

2.11. ALLOWANCES FOR INTERRUPTION OF SERVICE

- 2.11.1. For the purpose of applying this provision, the word "interruption" means the inability to access Service due to equipment malfunction or human errors. "Interruption" does not include, and no allowance will be given for, Service difficulties such as slow access, circuits busy or other network and/or switching capacity shortages.
- 2.11.2. Credit allowances will be given in accordance to this Section 2.11. for interruptions of Service which are not due to Company's testing or adjusting, to the negligence of the Customer, or to the failure of channels, equipment and/or communications equipment provided by the Customer or another Carrier, and are subject to the general limitation of liability provisions set forth in Section 2.15. herein. Customer must notify Company of any interruptions of Service. Before giving such notice, the Customer must ascertain that the trouble is not caused by any action or omission of the Customer, and not otherwise within the Customer's control.
- 2.11.3. For purposes of computing a credit under Section 2.11. every month is considered to have 30 days. No credit will be allowed for an interruption of a continuous duration of less than twenty-four (24) hours. Company will credit the Customer for an interruption of twenty-four (24) hours or more at the following rates:
- 1) One-thirtieth of monthly rate of each of the first three full 24-hour periods; and
 - 2) Two-thirtieths of monthly rate for each full 24-hour period beyond the first three 24 hour periods.

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2.12. CANCELLATION OR MODIFICATION OF SERVICE BY CUSTOMER

- 2.12.1. Residential Customers may cancel Service by providing written or oral notice to Company at least five (5) days prior to cancellation. The notice must specify the date on which Service is to be discontinued.
- 2.12.2. Business Customers may cancel Service by providing written notice to Company at least thirty (30) days prior to cancellation. The notice must specify the date on which Service is to be discontinued.
- 2.12.3. The Customer remains responsible for all Service charges until the day and time on which Service is actually disconnected.
- 2.12.4. If Customer cancels Service before Company completes installation of the Service and at the time of cancellation Company has incurred any expense in installing Services or preparing to install Service that it would not otherwise have incurred, a charge equal to the cost Company incurred will apply. In no case will this charge exceed the charge for the minimum period of Services ordered, including installation charges and Non-Recurring charges and all amounts others may charge Company that would have been chargeable to the Customer had Service been initiated.
- 2.12.5. If the Customer cancels Service after Company has completed installation, the charge set forth in Section 2.12.4. will apply to the extent Company has not yet recovered the costs described in Section 2.12.4. In addition, the minimum Service period obligations described in Section 2.7. will apply regardless of whether Service has been initiated and the charges due under Section 4.1. apply.
- 2.12.6. In the case of a Customer-initiated modification of Service, charges for the subsequent order are in addition to the costs incurred before the Customer changed the original order.

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2.13. CANCELLATION BY COMPANY

2.13.1. Company may immediately discontinue furnishing the Service to Business Customers without incurring liability:

- A. If there is a condition determined in Company's sole discretion to be hazardous to the Customer, to other Customers of Company, to Company's equipment, to the public or to employees or agents of Company; or
- B. If Company deems refusal or disconnection necessary to protect itself or third parties against fraud or to otherwise protect its personnel, agents, facilities or Services; or
- C. For non-compliance with and/or violation of any Commonwealth or municipal law, ordinance or regulation pertaining to Service; or
- D. For use of Company's Services for any purpose other than that described in the application; or
- E. In the event of Customer use of equipment in such a manner as to adversely affect Company's equipment or the Service to others; or
- F. In the event of tampering with the equipment furnished and owned by Company; or
- G. In the event of unauthorized or fraudulent use of Service.

2.13.2. Company may immediately discontinue furnishing the Service to Residential Customers without incurring liability if there is a condition determined in Company's sole discretion to be hazardous to the Customer, to other Customers of Company, to Company's equipment, to the public or to employees or agents of Company. At the time service is discontinued, the Company will mail a notice to the Customer's billing address.

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2.13. CANCELLATION BY COMPANY, Continued

2.13.3. Company may suspend Residential Service without liability upon seven (7) days written notice to the Customer via first-class mail prior to suspension of Service:

- A. For violation of this Tariff, except as provided in Section 2.13.2., including without limitation, non-payment of bills for Service, refusal to provide Company with either a deposit or advance payment, or failure to meet Company's credit requirements; or
- B. For failure of the Customer to make proper application for Service including, without limitation, the provision of false information; or
- C. When necessary for Company to comply with any order or request of any governmental authority having jurisdiction.

2.13.4. Company may discontinue Residential Service without liability when at least ten (10) days have passed since suspension of service and the Residential Customer has failed to pay a reconnection fee and to remedy the original grounds for suspension.

2.13.5. Company may discontinue Business Service without liability upon five (5) days written notice to the Customer via first-class mail prior to discontinuance of Service:

- A. For violation of this Tariff, except as provided in Section 2.13.1., including without limitation, non-payment of bills for Service, refusal to provide Company with either a deposit or advance payment, or failure to meet Company's credit requirements; or
- B. For failure of the Customer to make proper application for Service including, without limitation, the provision of false information; or
- C. When necessary for Company to comply with any order or request of any governmental authority having jurisdiction.

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2.13. CANCELLATION BY COMPANY, Continued

- 2.13.6. The discontinuance of Service(s) by Company pursuant to this section does not relieve the Customer of any obligations to pay Company for charges due and owing for Service(s) furnished up to the time of discontinuance. The remedies set forth herein are not exclusive, and Company is at all times be entitled to all the rights available to it under law or equity.
- 2.13.7. Company may refuse to permit collect calling, calling card, third number billing which it determines to be fraudulent and/or may limit the use of these billing options or Services.

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2.14. RESTORATION OF SERVICE

- 2.14.1. The use and restoration of Service in emergencies may be in accordance with part 64, Subpart D of the Federal Communications Commission's Rules and Regulations which specifies the priority system for such activities.
- 2.14.2. When a Customer's Service has been disconnected in accordance with this Tariff and the Service has been terminated through the completion of a Company service order, Service will be restored only upon the basis of application for new Service.
- 2.14.3. A Customer whose Service has been discontinued for failure to establish credit or for nonpayment of bills will be required to pay the unpaid balance due Company before Service is restored.
- 2.14.4. Whenever Service has been discontinued for fraudulent or other unlawful use, Company may, before restoring Service, require the Customer to make, at its own expense, all changes in facilities or equipment necessary to eliminate such fraudulent or otherwise unlawful uses and to pay an amount reasonably estimated as the loss in revenues resulting from such fraudulent use.
- 2.14.5. Any Customer whose Service has been disconnected may be required to pay Service reconnection charges equal to the initial Service Connection Charge before Service is restored.

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2.15. LIMITATION OF LIABILITY

- 2.15.1. Company will not be liable to the Customer or Authorized User for, and the Customer and any Authorized User, jointly and severally, will indemnify, defend and hold harmless Company from any allegation, claim, loss, damage, liability, defect, cost or expense resulting from or involving:
- A. Libel, slander, or invasion of privacy from material, data, information or other content transmitted over Company's facilities; or
 - B. Patent or trademark infringement or other infringement of intellectual property rights including, but not limited to, copyrights, trademarks, and trade secrets, arising from (1) combining (or using in connection with) Company-provided Services and equipment with any facilities, services functions, or products provided by the Customer or Authorized User or (2) use of Services, functions, or products which Company furnished in a manner Company did not contemplate and over which Company exercises no control. In the event that any such infringing use is enjoined, the Customer or Authorized User at its expense, will obtain immediately a dismissal or stay of such injunction, obtain a license or other agreement so as to extinguish the claim in infringement, terminate the claimed infringing use, or modify such combination so as to avoid any such infringement; or
 - C. A breach in the privacy or security of communications transmitted over Company's facilities; or
 - D. Acts, mistakes, omission, interruptions delays, errors or defects in transmission over Company's facilities or equipment, as more fully discussed in Section 2.15.2; or
 - E. Injuries to persons or property from voltages or currents transmitted over Company-provided facilities caused by Customer-provided equipment or Premises wire; or
 - F. The disconnection of Service for failure to pay the charges billed to Customer, including but not limited to, any direct, indirect, incidental, special consequential, exemplary or punitive damages, so long as such disconnection of Service complied with the applicable rules and regulations; or

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- G. Violations of the obligations of the Customer under this Tariff; or
- H. Defacement of or damage to Customer Premises, facilities or equipment resulting from the furnishing of Service or equipment on such Premises or the installation, maintenance, repair or removal thereof, unless such defacement or damage is caused by willful misconduct of Company's agents or employees; or
- I. The interruption of a call to any party or any other person in conjunction with use of the Busy Line Verification and Interrupt Service as set forth in this Tariff; or
- J. Any loss, destruction or damage to property of the Customer, the Customer's agent, distributors, or any third party, or the death of or injury to persons, including, but not limited to, employees or invitees of either Company or the Customer, to the extent caused by or resulting from the negligent or intentional act or omission of Company, Customer, Authorized User or their employees, agents representatives or invitees; or
- K. Any delay or failure of performance or equipment due to a Force Majeure condition, as more fully discussed in Section 2.15.2., or any unlawful acts of Company's agents and employees if committed beyond the scope of their agency or employment.
- L. Misrepresentation of, or the failure to disclose, the lawful rates and charges published in the Tariff, so long as Company has complied with any applicable rules and regulation related thereto; or
- M. Fees Company delivered to a jurisdiction in question and not returned to Company as provided in the Taxes Section of this Tariff; or

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2.15.1. Continued

N. Any act, mistake, omission fraudulent act of a third party, interruption, delay error, or defect caused by or contributed to by:

1. Another company or Carrier, or its agents or employees, when the facilities or equipment of the other company of Carrier are used for or with the Service Company offers. This included the provision of a signaling system or other database by another company; or

2. The Customer, or any third party acting as its agent, in connection with Company-provided or Customer-provided facilities or equipment, including, but not limited, the Customer's failure to take all necessary steps to obtain, install and maintain all necessary equipment, materials and supplies for interconnecting the terminal equipment or communications system of the Customer to Company's network; or

3. A third party.

O. Any failures, errors malfunctions or omissions of Caller ID Blocking whether or not arising from or relating to any ordinary negligence or other conduct by Company; or

P. Any unauthorized use of the Service provided to Customer.

2.15.2. The liability of Company for damages arising out of the furnishing of, or failing to furnish, its Services, including but not limited to mistakes, omission, disconnections, interruptions, delays, acts of a third party, errors, defects, or representations, whether caused by acts or omissions shall be limited to the lesser of \$500.00 or, in the event of a failure of service, an amount equal to no more than the proportionate charge (based on the rates then in effect) for the service during the time in which service is affected. The provisions for allowances for interruption as set forth in Section 2.11 of this Tariff are the sole remedy of the Customer, authorized user, or joint user and the sole liability of Company.

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2.15. LIMITATION OF LIABILITY, Continued

- 2.15.3. Company will not be liable for any direct, indirect, incidental, special, consequential, exemplary or punitive damages to Customer as a result of any Company Service, equipment or facilities, or a the acts or omissions, acts of a third party, or the acts or omissions or negligence of Company, its employees or agents.
- 2.15.4. The liability of Company's suppliers and vendors for damages arising out of the furnishing of, or failing to furnish, their services, including but not limited to mistakes, omissions, interruptions, delays, errors, defects, or representations, whether caused by acts or omissions of such suppliers and vendors shall be limited to the extension of allowances for interruptions as set for in this Tariff. The extension of such allowances for interruptions will be the sole remedy of the Customer and the sole liability of Company's supplier and vendors. Company's suppliers and vendors will not be liable for any direct, indirect, incidental, special, consequential, exemplary or punitive damages to Customer, as a result of any service, equipment or facilities, or the act of omissions, or negligence of Company's suppliers and vendors, its employees or agents.
- 2.15.5. The entire liability of Company for any claim, loss, damage or expense from any cause whatsoever will in no event exceed sums actually paid to Company by the Customer for the specific Services giving rise to the claim, and no action or proceeding against Company may be commenced more than one (1) year after the Service is rendered.
- 2.15.6. THE SERVICES ARE PROVIDED ON AN "AS IS" AND "AS AVAILABLE" BASIS. COMPANY EXPRESSLY DISCLAIMS ALL WARRANTIES OF ANY KIND, WHETHER EXPRESS OR IMPLIED, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO THE IMPLIED WARRANTIES OF MERCHANTABILITY, ACCURACY, FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE AND NONINFRINGEMENT. COMPANY MAKES NO WARRANTY THAT SERVICE WILL BE UNINTERRUPTED, TIMELY, SECURE OR ERROR FREE OR MEET ANY PARTICULAR PERFORMANCE LEVEL; NOR DOES COMPANY MAKE ANY WARRANTY AS TO THE RESULTS THAT MAY BE OBTAINED THROUGH THE SERVICES OR THAT ANY DEFECT IN THE SERVICE WILL BE CORRECTED.

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2.15. LIMITATION OF LIABILITY, Continued

- 2.15.7. The liability of Company for errors in billing that result in overpayment by the Customer will be limited to a credit equal to the dollar amount erroneously billed or, in the even that payment has been made and Service has been discontinued, to a refund of the amount erroneously billed.
- 2.15.8. Company will not be liable for any refusals or failures to provide or delays in commencing Service to any Customer pursuant to Section 2.6.1 or for any failure to provide or maintain Service at any particular performance level.
- 2.15.9. Company makes no warranty or representation of any kind whatsoever with respect to installations it provides for use in an explosive atmosphere. The Customer indemnifies and holds Company harmless from any and all loss, claims, demands, suits, or other action, or any liability whatsoever, whether suffered, made, instituted, or asserted by any entity or person(s), and for any loss, damage, or destruction of any property, whether owned by the Customer or others, caused or claimed to have been caused directly or indirectly by the installation, operation, failure to operate, maintenance, removal, presence, condition, location, or use of any installation so provided. Company reserves the right to require each Customer to sign an agreement acknowledging acceptance of the provisions of this Section as a condition precedent to such installations.

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Any notice Company may give to a Customer will be deemed properly given when delivered, if delivered in person, or when deposited with the U.S. Postal Service, postage prepaid, addressed to the Customer's billing address. Any notice the Customer may give Company will be deemed properly given when delivered, if delivered in person, or when deposited with the U.S. Postal Service, postage prepaid, addressed to Company at the address provided in the most recently revised tariff pages.

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SECTION 2 - RULES AND REGULATIONS, Continued**2.17. CUSTOMER PROVIDED EQUIPMENT AND INTERCONNECTION**

- 2.17.1. Customer-provided equipment on the Premises of Customer or Authorized User, the operating personnel there, and the electric power consumed by such equipment must be provided by and maintained at the expense of the Customer or Authorized User. Conformance of Customer-provided equipment with Part 68 of the FCC Rules is the responsibility of Customer.
- 2.17.2. Customer or Authorized User must ensure that Customer-provided equipment connected to Company equipment and facilities is compatible with such equipment and facilities. The magnitude and character of the voltages and currents impressed on Company-provided equipment and wiring by the connection, operation, or maintenance of such equipment and wiring must be such as not to cause damage to Company-provided equipment and wiring or injury to Company's employees or to other persons. Any additional protective equipment required to prevent such damage or injury may be provided by Company at Customer's expense.
- 2.17.3. Company will not be responsible for the installation, operation or maintenance of any Customer-provided communications equipment. Where Customer-provided equipment is connected to the facilities and equipment furnished under this Tariff, the responsibility of Company will be limited to the furnishing of Service, facilities and equipment offered pursuant to this Tariff. Beyond this responsibility, Company will not be responsible for:
- A. the transmission of signals by Customer-provided equipment or for the quality of, or defects in, such transmission; or
 - B. the reception of signals by Customer-provided equipment; or
 - C. network control signaling when performed by Customer-provided network control signaling equipment.

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**2.17. CUSTOMER PROVIDED EQUIPMENT AND INTERCONNECTION,
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- 2.17.4. The Customer must secure all licenses, permits, rights-of-way and other arrangements necessary for interconnection with Company. In addition, the Customer must ensure that its equipment and/or system or that of its Authorized User or agent(s) is properly interfaced with Company's Service and the signals emitted into Company's network are of the proper mode, band-width, power, data speed and signal level for the intended use of the Customer. If the Customer or its Authorized User or agent(s) fails to properly maintain and operate its equipment and/or system, Company may, upon written request, require the use of protective equipment at the Customer's expense.
- 2.17.5. Interconnection between the facilities or services of other carriers is governed by the applicable terms and conditions of the other carriers' tariffs.
- 2.17.6. Service furnished by Company may be interconnected with services or facilities of other authorized carriers and with private systems, subject to the technical limitations established by Company. Any special interface of equipment or facilities necessary to achieve compatibility between the facilities of Company and other participating carriers must be provided at the Customer's expense.

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2.18. PROMOTIONAL OFFERINGS

Company may, from time to time, make promotional offerings of its Services, which may include waiving or reducing the applicable charges for the promoted Service. The promotional offerings may be limited as to the duration, the date and times of the offerings and the locations where the offerings are made.

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SECTION 3 - DESCRIPTION OF SERVICE

3.1. APPLICATION OF RATES

3.1.1. Timing of Calls

- A. The Customer's usage charge is based on the actual usage of Company's Service. Usage begins when the receiver of the called number is answered. The moment of the called party's answer and termination is determined by hardware supervision in which the distant local telephone company sends or ends an supervision signal to Company's switch or the software utilizing audio tone detection. The timing of the call occurs when the called party answers and terminated when either party hangs up.
- B. Unless otherwise stated in this Tariff, the minimum call duration for billing purposes is one minute with one minute billing increments thereafter.
- C. Any portion of an applicable increment, after the appropriate minimum time for the call, will be rounded upward to the next increment. Calls less than the minimum length will be rounded to the minimum length.
- D. There is no billing for incomplete calls.

3.1.2. Service Areas

- A. Unless otherwise specified in this tariff, Company's interexchange Service area is statewide.
- B. Company's description of service area in no way compels Company to provide any Service in an area where facilities or other extenuating factors limit Company's ability to provide Service.

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SECTION 3 - DESCRIPTION OF SERVICE, Continued**3.2. GRANITE TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES**

- 3.2.1. Company provides switched and dedicated telecommunications services which allow a customer to establish a communications path between two stations by using uniform dialing plans. Calls are billed in six (6) second increments. A thirty (30) second initial billing minimum is applicable on each call, unless otherwise specified in this tariff.
- 3.2.2. **Granite Switched Access Service** is a switched access service, offering users both outbound 1 plus and inbound, toll free long distance telecommunications services. The service offers direct dial capabilities of other underlying carrier(s)' network services.
- 3.2.3. **Granite Dedicated Access Service** is a dedicated access service, offering users both outbound 1 plus and inbound, toll free long distance telecommunications services over dedicated local access connections to the underlying carrier's point of presence. This service is designed for subscribers with high traffic volumes, whose traffic volumes justify the additional costs of dedicated access facilities.
- 3.2.4. **Granite Travel Card** is a calling card service enabling Switched Access Service subscribers to place calls from any touch-tone phone in the United States. Travel Card calls are billed at the Company's rate and appear on the subscriber's monthly long distance bill.
- 3.2.5. **Directory Assistance** is provided by Granite' underlying carrier to subscribers of record. The Customer may access the underlying carrier's Directory Assistance by dialing the area code plus 555-1212. The Customer will be billed for such service by Granite, except as stated in this tariff.

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3.2. GRANITE'S SERVICES, Continued

- 3.2.6. **Granite Prepaid Calling Card Service** is a discretionary switched access service available to subscribers via a toll free number from any telephone in the United States. The user's account is credited for the amount of calling purchased and is debited as the subscriber places calls, until the account balance is depleted. Subscribers are informed of the amount of calling time remaining on the card at the time they access the Company's equipment and enter a card identification number and are reminded to replenish the account prior to its depletion at one (1) minute prior to the account's depletion. Subscribers may immediately replenish the account at any time by contacting the Company's customer service department and charging the desired amount to a valid credit card or by mailing a check to the Company. If the account is not replenished, access to the Company's underlying carrier network is blocked.

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SECTION 4 - RATES AND CHARGES**4.1. SERVICE CHARGES****4.1.1 Granite Switched Access Outbound Service (Outbound)**

	DAYTIME		EVENING		NIGHT	
	Initial 30 Sec.	Add'l 6 Sec.	Initial 30 Sec.	Add'l 6 Sec.	Initial 30 Sec.	Add'l 6 Sec.
Intrastate	\$0.0750	\$0.0150	\$0.0750	\$0.0150	\$0.0750	\$0.0150

4.1.2 Granite Switched Access Inbound Service (Inbound)

	DAYTIME		EVENING		NIGHT	
	Initial 30 Sec.	Add'l 6 Sec.	Initial 30 Sec.	Add'l 6 Sec.	Initial 30 Sec.	Add'l 6 Sec.
Intrastate	\$0.0750	\$0.0150	\$0.0750	\$0.0150	\$0.0750	\$0.0150

4.1.3 Granite Dedicated Access Outbound Service

	DAYTIME		EVENING		NIGHT	
	Initial 30 Sec.	Add'l 6 Sec.	Initial 30 Sec.	Add'l 6 Sec.	Initial 30 Sec.	Add'l 6 Sec.
Intrastate	\$0.0600	\$0.0120	\$0.0600	\$0.0120	\$0.0600	\$0.0120

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	DAYTIME		EVENING		NIGHT	
	Initial 30 Sec.	Add'l 6 Sec.	Initial 30 Sec.	Add'l 6 Sec.	Initial 30 Sec.	Add'l 6 Sec.
Intrastate	\$0.0600	\$0.0120	\$0.0600	\$0.0120	\$0.0600	\$0.0120

4.1.5. Granite Travel Card Service

Access charge per call \$0.50
Rate per minute \$0.20

4.1.6. Directory Assistance

Rate per access \$0.85

4.1.7. Granite Prepaid Calling Card Service

Rate per minute \$0.25
Surcharge per call \$0.50

4.1.8. Pay Phone Surcharge \$0.30

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4.2. TIME PERIODS

The application periods for the service are:

	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat	Sun
8:00 AM to 4:59 PM	Day	Day	Day	Day	Day	Eve	Eve
5:00 PM to 10:59 PM	Eve						
11:00 PM to 7:59 AM	Night						

Night Rate applies to selected holidays (New Year's Day, July 4, Labor Day, Thanksgiving and Christmas). On these holidays the Night Rate applies all day, unless a lower rate would normally apply.

4.3. DISCOUNTS FOR HEARING IMPAIRED CUSTOMERS

A telephone toll message which is communicated using a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) by properly certified hearing or speech impaired persons or properly certified business establishments or individuals equipped with TDDs for communicating with hearing or speech impaired persons will receive, upon request, credit or charges for certain intrastate toll calls placed between TDDs. The credit to be given on a subsequent bill for such calls will be equal to applying the evening rate during business day hours and the night/weekend rate during the evening rate period. Discounts do not apply to surcharges or per call add on charges for service that would normally incur the surcharge.

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4.4. INDIVIDUAL CASE BASIS (ICB) ARRANGEMENTS

Arrangements will be developed on a case-by-case basis in response to a bona fide request from a Customer or prospective Customer to develop a competitive bid for a Service offered under this Tariff. Rates quoted in response to such competitive requests may be different than those specified for such Services in this Tariff. ICB rates will be offered to the Customer in writing and on a non-discriminatory basis.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

Pursuant to 52 Pa. Code §5.14, a copy of the signed and verified Application, with attachments, except attachments filed under seal, was served on the Office of Consumer Advocate, Office of Small Business Advocate, and Office of Attorney General. by placing the same in the United States Mail, postage-prepaid on this 12 day of July, 2002. In addition, a copy of this Application, with attachments not filed under seal, and local exchange tariff only, was served upon the below named individuals at Verizon Pennsylvania, Verizon North, and United Telephone Company of Pennsylvania.

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Office of Consumer Protection
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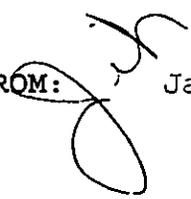
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We attach hereto a copy of the Application of Granite Telecommunications, LLC for approval to provide telecommunications services as a Reseller of Toll Services docketed at A-311204; as a Competitive Local Exchange Carrier docketed at A-311204 F0002 to the public in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, which has been captioned and docketed to the above number.

The Protest period for this application will expire on July 27, 2002.

This matter is being referred to your Bureau to schedule it for consideration by the Commission at Public Meeting.

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Attachment

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STACEY A. KLINZMAN
DIRECTOR - REGULATORY COMPLIANCE
MILLER ISAR, INC
7901 SKANSIE AVENUE
GIG HARBOR WA 98335

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Dear Sir/Madam:

Please be advised that the Application of Granite Telecommunications, LLC to provide telecommunications services as a Reseller of Toll Services docketed at A-311204; as a Competitive Local Exchange Carrier docketed at A-311204 F0002; to the public in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, has been reviewed and found to be in compliance with the filing requirements of the Commission's Opinion and Order entered June 3, 1996, at Docket Number M-00960799.

The protest period for this application will expire on July 27, 2002.

This matter is being referred to the Bureau of Fixed Utility Services to schedule it for consideration by the Commission at Public Meeting.

Please be advised that you now have provisional authority to do business in Pennsylvania.

Should you have any further questions concerning this matter, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

James J. McNulty
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Secretary

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The addressee named here has paid the PA P.U.C. for the following bill:

STACEY A. KLINZMAN
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DATE 7/17/02
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IN RE: Application fees for GRANITE TELECOMMUNICATIONS, LLC

Docket Numbers A-311204 and A-311204F0002..... \$250.00

REVENUE ACCOUNT: 001780-017601-102

CHECK NUMBER: 4262
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C. Joseph Meisinger
(for Department of Revenue)

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