

BEFORE THE
FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION
Washington, D. C. 20554

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In the Matter of)
US TELECOM, INC.) File No. I-T-C-86-023
Application for authority to)
provide switched voice service,)
packet switching services and)
INTELSAT Business Services between)
the US and Canada, Mexico, United)
Kingdom, Italy, Japan, Spain,)
France, Hong Kong, South Korea,)
Panama, Nicaragua, Honduras,)
Guatemala, El Salvador, Costa Rica,)
Netherlands and Belgium.)

ORDER, AUTHORIZATION AND CERTIFICATE

Adopted March 31, 1986

Released April 11, 1986

By the Common Carrier Bureau:

1. The Commission is considering an application, filed on November 7, 1985 and amended on March 13 and 25, 1986, by US Telecom, Inc. (US Telecom) requesting authority to acquire and operate facilities for provision of switched voice service, packet switching services and INTELSAT Business Services (IBS) between the United States and Canada, Mexico, United Kingdom, Italy, Japan, Spain, France, Hong Kong, South Korea, Panama, Nicaragua, Honduras, Guatemala, El Salvador, Costa Rica, Netherlands and Belgium. The application was placed on public notice on November 20, 1985. No comments were received.

2. US Telecom is a subsidiary of United Telecommunications, Inc., which has three other subsidiaries providing common carrier services.¹

¹ US Telecom-Corporate Network Services Co. (formerly ISACOM, Inc.) is authorized to provide data services between the US and the UK-Canada (File Nos. I-T-C-84-167 released October 29, 1984 and I-T-C-84-201

US Telecom's predecessor, United Telecom Communications, Inc., has been granted authority to construct a domestic fiber optic network, and US Telecom is also a domestic common carrier subject to regulation pursuant to the Communications Act of 1934. The Commission has previously determined that the growing volume of international traffic supports increased competition and has established a policy favoring the entry of new carriers for switched voice service and other international communications services under these circumstances.² We find upon the facts presented in the instant application that US Telecom is qualified to provide international switched voice service and packet switching services. We further conclude that added competition resulting from the provision of these services by US Telecom is reasonably feasible and that such competition will result in public benefits such as savings to ratepayers, broadened customer choice, service innovation, and the efficient use of resources.³

3. US Telecom's request for blanket authority to provide IBS service is essentially the same as the blanket authority that was granted to Vitalink International Communications, Inc., File No. I-T-C-84-136 on November 7, 1984. There we decided that blanket Section 214 authorizations would further the Commission's policy of introducing IBS in the United States as soon as possible and provide benefits to both new entrants and established carriers.⁴ We conclude a grant of blanket IBS authority

released December 13, 1984). US Telecom-Data Communications Co. (formerly UNINET, Inc.) provides packet switching services both domestically and internationally and US Telecom-Communications Services Co. (formerly US Telephone, Inc.) provides switched voice service in the U.S.

2 See the cases cited in Teltec Saving Communications Co., Mimeo No. 3548, (released April 4, 1986) at n. 2.

3 FCC v. RCA Communications, Inc., 346 U.S. 86 (1953) Mackey Radio and Telegraph Co., 28 FCC 231 (1960).

4 Vitalink International Communications, Inc., Mimeo No. 687 (released November 7, 1984). See also, Communications Satellite Corporation, Mimeo No. 6564 (released September 14, 1984), in which the Commission granted blanket authority to Comsat to acquire units of utilization from INTELSAT and establish channels of communication to provide IBS space segment between IBS earth stations that are currently authorize or that may be authorized in the future and appropriate INTELSAT

to US Telecom would be consistent with this policy and is in the public interest.

4. For the foregoing reasons, IT IS HEREBY CERTIFIED that the present and future public convenience and necessity require the provision of the services authorized herein to various overseas points by US Telecom.

5. Accordingly, IT IS ORDERED that application File No. I-T-C-86-023 IS GRANTED, and US Telecom is authorized to:

a. lease from Comsat channels of communication between any earth station that may be licensed for provision of IBS services in the future, including existing earth stations, and appropriate INTELSAT Atlantic or Pacific Ocean region satellites for the provision of IBS and digital video services between the United States and those points listed in the Appendix hereto, provided, however, that this authorization is without commitment as to the Commission's action on any IBS earth station Title III applications that applicants may file in the future; and

b. lease from Comsat and operate the numbers of satellite voice circuits listed in the Appendix between an appropriate east or west coast US earth station and an appropriate AOR or POR satellite connecting with similar circuits between the satellite and earth stations at the various points furnished by overseas correspondents for provision of switched voice services and packet switching services between the United States and points specified in the Appendix and beyond.

6. The Section 214 authorization granted herein is effective on the release date of this order and shall be continued year-to-year, unless the Commission notifies the applicant to the contrary and requires a new application to be filed. If the Commission requires a new application to be filed, the authorization will continue in effect until Commission action on the application.

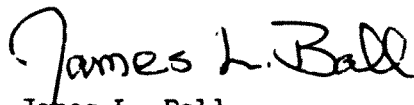
7. The authority granted herein must be implemented by the acquisition of operating agreements within a period of three years from the release date of this order. Copies of operating agreements shall be filed with the Commission within 30 days of their execution.

Atlantic and Pacific Ocean Region satellites. See also, AT&T et al., released March 18, 1985, File No. I-T-C-85-034 et al.

8. The Commission retains jurisdiction over this matter to reallocate circuits in the satellite system among the various international common carriers and other authorized users as required to insure nondiscriminatory use of, and equitable access to, the communications satellite system.

9. This order is issued under Section 0.291 of the Commission's rules and is effective upon release. Petitions for reconsideration under Section 1.106 or applications for review under Section 1.115 of the rules may be filed within 30 days of the date of public notice of this order (see Section 1.4(b)(2)).

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By the Common Carrier Bureau:

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APPENDIX

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Mexico	84 (terrestrial)
United Kingdom	160 (cable & satellite)
Italy	37 (cable)
Japan	89 (cable & satellite)
Spain	12 (satellite)
France	75 (satellite)
Hong Kong	14 (satellite)
South Korea	27 (satellite)
Panama	9 (satellite)
Nicaragua	3 (satellite)
Honduras	5 (satellite)
Guatemala	9 (satellite)
El Salvador	12 (satellite)
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