

1986 WL 291710 (F.C.C.)

In the Matter of
GENERAL COMMUNICATION INC.
Application for authority to operate as an international resale carrier.

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ORDER, AUTHORIZATION AND CERTIFICATE

Adopted May 20, 1986

Released May 23, 1986

*1 By the Common Carrier Bureau:

1. We have before us for consideration an application, filed on March 24, 1986 by General Communication Incorporated (GCI), requesting authority to use existing message telephone facilities to provide international switched voice service between Alaska and various overseas points. GCI proposes to use existing facilities of other international carriers to provide the proposed services. The application was placed on public notice on April 16, 1986. No comments were received.

2. Upon review of the application, we find that the applicant has the legal, technical and financial qualifications to provide the proposed services. GCI, an Alaska corporation, is already providing domestic resale services. It now proposes to compete with other carriers which already provide international switched voice services. In recent authorizations of new entrants, the Commission has recognized that increased competition in international markets is beneficial.¹ We find that the market will support additional carriers and that the added competition will be in the public interest.²

3. For the foregoing reasons, IT IS CERTIFIED that the present and future public convenience and necessity require the provision of international switched voice services to the general public by GCI.

4. Accordingly, IT IS ORDERED that application File No. **I-T-C-86-082** IS GRANTED and GCI is authorized to provide international switched voice services between the U.S. and those points listed in AT & T's Tariff FCC No. 1 and MCI Telecommunications Corp.'s Tariff FCC No. 1.

5. Copies of any operating agreements entered into between GCI and its correspondents shall be filed with the Commission within 30 days of their execution.

6. 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 public notice of this order (see Section 1.4(b)(2)).

FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

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Footnotes

- 1 See the cases cited in Teltec Saving Communications Co., Mimeo No. 3548, (released April 4, 1986) at n. 2.
 - 2 [FCC v. RCA Communications, Inc.](#), 346 U.S. 86 (1953); [Mackay Radio and Telegraph Co.](#), 28 FCC 231 (1960).
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