DA 88-966

*1 In the Matter of
BUSINESS TELECOM. INC.
Application for authority to operate as an international resale carrier

File No. **I-T-C-88-120**

ORDER, AUTHORIZATION AND CERTIFICATE

Adopted: June 22, 1988; Released: July 1, 1988 **4069 By the Chief, International Facilities Division: 1. On April 22, 1988, Business Telecom, Inc. (BTI) filed an application requesting authority, pursuant to Section 214 of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, to resell the switched message telephone services of existing carriers to provide international switched voice service between the U.S. and various overseas points. The application was placed on public notice on May 4, 1988. No comments were received.

2. BTI, a North Carolina corporation, is already providing domestic resale services. It now proposes to resell international switched voice services in competition with other carriers already providing resale of such service. In recent authorizations of new entrants, the Commission has recognized that increased competition in international markets is beneficial. [FN1] We find that the market will support additional carriers and that the added competition will be in the public interest. [FN2]

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

4. Accordingly, IT IS ORDERED that application File No. **I-T-C-88-120** IS GRANTED and BTI is authorized to provide international switched voice services by the resale of the international switched voice services set forth in AT & T's Tariffs FCC Nos. 1 and 2, MCI Telecommunications Corp.'s Tariff FCC No. 1, and US Sprint's Tariffs FCC Nos. 1 and 2, between the U.S., on the one hand, and Canada and Mexico and those points listed in those tariffs on the other hand.

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

6. IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that BTI shall file a tariff pursuant to Section 203 of the Communications Act, 47 U.S.C. Section 203 and Part 61 of the Commission's

rules, 47 C.F.R. Part 61, for the services authorized in this order.

7. 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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FN1 See the cases cited in Teltec Saving Communications Co., Mimeo No. 3548, (released April 4, 1986) at n. 2.

FN2 FCC v. RCA Communications, Inc., 346 U.S. 86 (1953); Mackay Radio and Telegraph Co., 28 FCC 231 (1960).

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