

**Before the
Federal Communications Commission
Washington, D.C. 20554**

In the Matter of

AFFORD-A-CALL
CORP.

File No. I-T-C-91-047

Application for authority to
supplement existing authority to
operate as an international resale
carrier.

ORDER, AUTHORIZATION AND CERTIFICATE

Adopted: March 21, 1991;

Released: March 28, 1991

By the Chief, International Facilities Division:

1. The above-captioned application, filed by Afford-A-Call Corp. (Afford-A-Call), requests authority pursuant to Section 214 of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, to supplement its existing authorization to resell international switched voice services of additional carriers. The application was placed on public notice on January 25, 1991. No comments were received.

2. The commission has previously granted authority to Afford-A-Call, as a non-dominant carrier, to provide resale of international switched voice services under AT&T's Tariff F.C.C. No. 1, between the U.S. and those points listed in that AT&T tariff.¹ It now proposes to resell international switched voice services of additional carriers in competition with other common carriers already providing resale of such services. As addressed in File No. I-T-C-88-063, 3 FCC Rcd 1619 (1988), in authorizations of new entrants over the past decade, the Commission has recognized that increased competition in international markets is beneficial.² We find that the market will support additional carriers and that the added competition will be in the public interest.³

3. Accordingly, IT IS ORDERED that application File No. I-T-C-91-047 IS GRANTED, and Afford-A-Call is authorized to provide international switched voice services by the resale of the international switched voice services set forth in AT&T's Tariff F.C.C. No. 2, MCI's Tariff F.C.C. No. 1, TRT's Tariff F.C.C. No. 2, US Sprint's Tariffs F.C.C. Nos. 1 and 2 and RCI Long Distance's Tariff F.C.C. No. 1 between the U.S. and the points listed in those tariffs.

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

5. IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the applicant 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.

6. IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the applicant shall file the annual reports of overseas telecommunications traffic required by Section 43.61 of the Commission's Rules, 47 C.F.R. §43.61 (October 1, 1989).

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

FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

George S. Li
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FOOTNOTES

¹ See Letter dated September 11, 1989 from George S. Li, Chief, International Facilities Division, Common Carrier Bureau, to Randall B. Lowe, *In the Matter of Afford - A - Call Corp. and Grace Communications, Inc. db/a Afford-A- Call for Authorization for Transfer of Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity*, File No. I-T-C-89-147-(AL), authorizing the transfer of the International Section 214 Authorization held by Grace Communications, Inc. to Afford-A-Call Corp. The Grace Communications authorization was originally granted *In the Matter of Grace Communications, Inc.*, 3 FCC Rcd 1619 (1988), File No. I-T-C-88-063.

² See, e.g., the cases cited in *Teltec Saving Communications Co.*, File No. I-T-C-86-062, Mimeo No. 3548, (released April 4, 1986) at n.2.

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