

Before the
FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION
Washington, D. C. 20554

In re Application of)
HORRY TELEPHONE LONG DISTANCE, INC.) File No. _____
For authorization under Section 214)
or the Communications Act of 1934,)
as amended, to resell international)
telecommunications services)

To: Chief, International Facilities Division

SECTION 214 APPLICATION

Horry Telephone Long Distance, Inc. ("Applicant"), a wholly owned subsidiary of Horry Telephone Cooperative, Inc.,¹ hereby seeks authorization to provide international telephone service through the resale of existing international telecommunications services. In support of this request, the following information is provided, as required by Section 63.01 of the Commission's Rules:

a) Name and address of applicant:

Horry Telephone Long Distance, Inc.
P. O. Drawer 1820
Conway, SC 29526

b) State law under which applicant is organized:

South Carolina



1 Horry Telephone Cooperative, Inc. is a local exchange telephone company serving areas of South Carolina.

- c) Correspondence concerning the application should be addressed to:

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- d) Applicants parent is currently fully subject to the Act by virtue of its operation of a cable television system within its franchised telephone service area.
- e) Facilities covered in this application extend communications services into areas not previously served directly by Applicant. These facilities will be used for the provision of international telephone and data services (at the customer's option).
- f) Points between which facilities are located:

Applicant plans to resell the international telephone and data services of MCI, which has established a point of presence at Myrtle Beach, South Carolina (approximately seven (7) air miles from Applicant's location in Conway, South Carolina). A direct fiber optic connection, owned by Applicant's parent, Horry Telephone Cooperative, Inc., will provide the necessary link. The usage of the fiber line will be accessed under state-regulated tariff. Consequently, there will be no lease of transport facilities.

- g) Applicant's existing facilities:

Applicant has no existing facilities inasmuch as its domestic resale operations are not yet in service. Applicant will obtain switching capacity from its parent, Horry Telephone Cooperative, Inc. under state-regulated tariff.

² Applicant will be subject to regulatory forbearance in its interstate long distance resale operations by virtue of the Commission's Fourth Report and Order, CC Docket No. 79-252 (1983).

h) Description of facilities for which authority is requested:

Applicant's parent operates a Northern Telecom DMS 200 switch, from which international calls will interconnect with the MCI point of presence through the fiber route specified in paragraph (f) above.

i) Present and estimated future requirements:

It is estimated that the subject facilities are adequate to meet subscribers' need for the next five years.

j) Site map:

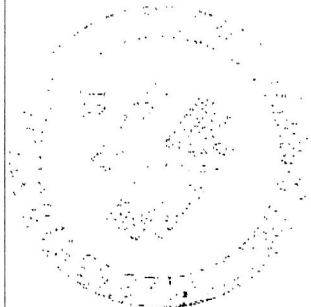
See attached Exhibit 1.

k) Cost of facilities:

At the current time, Applicant does not propose to construct or lease facilities, but will share the costs associated with switching capacity as described in paragraph (g) above, in addition to paying tariffed rates for transport cost via the fiber route as specified in paragraph (f) above. Consequently, all costs associated with provision of the proposed services are directly related to the provision of services, including originating and terminating costs, costs associated with billing and collecting and fixed charges representing operating expense. See attached pro forma Income Statement.

l) Public need:

Grant of this application will promote the provision of alternative international telecommunications services without wasteful duplication of facilities. When coupled with Applicant's proposed interstate services, customers will benefit from easy access to all direct-dial points world-wide, thus facilitating and enhancing both domestic and international commercial and cultural exchange. Consequently, the public interest would be served by grant of the instant application.



m) Economic justification:

The pro forma economic forecast attached hereto provides the economic justification for the subject request. Inasmuch as existing facilities are utilized to route international calls, no capital investment is required; increased traffic due to international transmissions will increase the economic efficiency of Applicant's overall operation. As shown in the pro forma, Applicant expects to operate profitably in year one (1).

n) Justification for additional services:

Other carriers currently offer international telecommunications service within Applicant's service area. No new facilities are contemplated, but merely increased usage of existing facilities.

o) Proposed tariff charges:

Applicant attaches a proposed tariff, for informational purposes only, for the Commission's review.

p) Proposed accounting:

Applicant will account for the costs and revenues associated with the described project in strict conformance with the Uniform System of Accounts.

q) Authorization of the subject facilities is categorically excluded as defined by Section 1.1306 of the Commission's Rules.

Respectfully submitted,

HORRY TELEPHONE LONG DISTANCE, INC.

By: 

Curley P. Huggins
President

Dated: DEC 13, 1991