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August 30, 2010

**VIA IBFS**

Ms. Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 12th Street, S.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20554  
ATTN: Ms. Mindel De La Torre,  
Chief, International Bureau

**RE: Section 63.19(a)(2) Notification  
Budget Call Long Distance, Inc.  
File No. ITC-214-19980520-00334**

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On behalf of Budget Call Long Distance, Inc. ("Budget Call") enclosed herewith is a courtesy copy of a response to a request by staff of the Wireline Competition Bureau, regarding a Section 63.71 application to discontinue the provision of dial-around long distance telecommunications services to customers, which was filed in conjunction with the above-referenced Section 63.19 notice of discontinuance of international service.

Please feel to contact the undersigned with any questions or concerns.

Respectfully submitted,



Christopher S. Koves

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ATTN: Rodney McDonald

**RE: *In the Matter of Section 63.71 Application of Budget Call Long Distance, Inc. For Authority Pursuant to Section 214 of the Communications Act of 1934, To Discontinue the Provision of Service, WC Docket No. 10-175***

Dear Ms. Dortch:

This letter is in response to a request made by staff of the Federal Communications Commission ("Commission") for information pertaining to Budget Call Long Distance, Inc.'s ("Budget Call's") above-referenced July 30, 2010 Section 63.71 Application to discontinue the provision of dial-around long distance telecommunications services to customers in 45 states. *See* 47 C.F.R. § 63.71.

In its Section 63.71 Application, Budget Call indicated that since written notice to Budget Call's customers regarding the discontinuance of service was impossible, in the alternative, Budget Call "recorded an automated audio message on its long-distance access code number to notify customers of the discontinuance of Budget Call's services."<sup>1</sup> Ms. Kimberly

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*In the Matter of Section 63.71 Application of Budget Call Long Distance, Inc. for Authority Pursuant to Section 214 of the Communications Act of 1934, to Discontinue the Provision of Service, WC Docket No. 10-175 (filed July 30, 2010). The Application cited to a prior application where the Commission approved a similar method of notice of discontinuance. Id. (citing AT&T Communications Application to Discontinue Interstate Sent-Paid Coin Service Granted, Public Notice, NSD File No. W-P-D-497, DA 01-2375, 16 FCC Rcd 18464, 18465, 18468 (Oct. 15, 2001); AT&T Communications Application to*

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Jackson and Mr. Rodney McDonald of the Competition Policy Division, Wireline Competition Bureau, recently requested a transcript of the audio recording on Budget Call's long-distance access code number to provide notice of discontinuance to Budget Call's consumers.

In response to the Commission's request, Budget Call hereby provides the following transcript of the audio message to customers who call Budget Call's dial-around service access code number:

Budget Call will be discontinuing all services on September 30, 2010. After that date, calls placed using Budget Call's 10-10-368 number will no longer be completed. If you have questions, please contact Customer Service at 800-482-4848. Thank you.

Furthermore, on August 30, 2010 Budget Call provided its customer service representatives with the following script in the event they are contacted by Budget Call's customers regarding the discontinuance of service:

The FCC will normally authorize this proposed discontinuance of service unless it is shown that customers would be unable to receive service or a reasonable substitute from another carrier or that the public convenience and necessity is otherwise adversely affected. If you wish to object, you should file your comments as soon as possible, but no later than 15 days after the Commission releases public notice of the proposed discontinuance. Address them to the Federal Communications Commission, Wireline Competition Bureau, Competition Policy Division, Washington, DC 20554, and include in your comments a reference to the Section 63.71 Application of Budget Call Long Distance, Inc. Comments should include specific information about the impact of this proposed discontinuance upon you or your company, including any inability to acquire reasonable substitute service.<sup>2</sup>

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Discontinue Interstate Sent-Paid Coin Service Not Automatically Granted, *Public Notice*, NSD File No. W-P-D-497, DA 01-1870, 16 FCC Rcd 14935 (Aug. 3, 2001)).

<sup>2</sup> See 47 C.F.R. 63.71(a)(5)(i).

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Please feel to contact the undersigned if there are any further questions.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Chris Koves", with a long, sweeping horizontal stroke at the end.

Christopher S. Koves  
*Attorney for Budget Call Long Distance, Inc.*

CC: Kimberly Jackson  
Rodney McDonald  
Mindel De La Torre