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Description of Application: _____

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Via Overnight Delivery

Federal Communications Commission
International Bureau - Telecommunications
Three Mellon Bank Center
525 William Penn Way
27th Floor, Room 153-2713
Pittsburg, PA 15259-0001

ATTN: Wholesale Lockbox Shift Supervisor

RE: **The Free Network, L.L.C.**

Dear Sirs:

Enclosed herewith for filing please find an original and five (5) copies of the Application for authority pursuant to Section 214 of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, to operate as an international resale carrier. Also enclosed is FCC Form 159 and the requisite \$745.00 filing fee.

Please acknowledge receipt of this filing by date stamping and returning the additional copy of this cover letter in the self-addresses envelope provided.

Thank you for your cooperation and assistance in this matter. If you should have any questions regarding this filing, please do not hesitate to call.

Sincerely,



Monica R. Borne

Enclosures

cc: Vitaliano Terraciano, The Free Network

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FCC REMITTANCE ADVICE

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 Expires 2/28/97

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(Read instructions carefully BEFORE proceeding.)

PAYOR INFORMATION

(1) FCC ACCOUNT NUMBER Did you have a number prior to this? Enter it: (2) TOTAL AMOUNT PAID (dollars and cents)
 \$ **745.00**

(3) PAYOR NAME (If paying by credit card, enter name exactly as it appears on your card)

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(4) STREET ADDRESS LINE NO. 1

3500 N. Causeway Blvd., Suite 1442

(5) STREET ADDRESS LINE NO. 2

(6) CITY
Metairie

(7) STATE
LA

(8) ZIP CODE
70002

(9) DAYTIME TELEPHONE NUMBER (Include area code)

(504) 832-1984

(10) COUNTRY CODE (if not U.S.A.)

ITEM #1 INFORMATION

(11A) NAME OF APPLICANT, LICENSEE, REGULATED, OR DEBTOR

The Free Network, L.L.C.

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(12A) FCC CALL SIGN/OTHER ID

(13A) ZIP CODE
48083

(14A) PAYMENT TYPE CODE
C U T

(15A) QUANTITY
1

(16A) FEE DUE FOR PAYMENT TYPE CODE IN BLOCK 14
\$ 745.00

(17A) FCC CODE 1

(18A) FCC CODE 2

(19A) ADDRESS LINE NO. 1

1607 E. big Beaver Rd. Suite 105

(20A) ADDRESS LINE NO. 2

Troy, Michigan

(21A) CITY/STATE OR COUNTRY CODE

ITEM #2 INFORMATION

(11B) NAME OF APPLICANT, LICENSEE, REGULATED, OR DEBTOR

FCC USE ONLY

(12B) FCC CALL SIGN/OTHER ID

(13B) ZIP CODE

(14B) PAYMENT TYPE CODE

(15B) QUANTITY

(16B) FEE DUE FOR PAYMENT TYPE CODE IN BLOCK 14
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(17B) FCC CODE 1

(18B) FCC CODE 2

(19B) ADDRESS LINE NO. 1

(20B) ADDRESS LINE NO. 2

(21B) CITY/STATE OR COUNTRY CODE

CREDIT CARD PAYMENT INFORMATION

(22) MASTERCARD/VISA ACCOUNT NUMBER:

Mastercard

EXPIRATION DATE:

Visa

AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE _____ DATE _____

(23) I hereby authorize the FCC to charge my VISA or Mastercard for the service(s)/authorization(s) herein describe.

See public burden estimate on reverse.

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

In the Matter of: **THE FREE NETWORK, L.L.C.**)
APPLICATION FOR AUTHORITY PURSUANT)
TO SECTION 214 OF THE COMMUNICATIONS)
ACT OF 1934, AS AMENDED, FOR GLOBAL)
AUTHORITY TO OPERATE AS AN)
INTERNATIONAL RESALE CARRIER)

Application:

THE FREE NETWORK, L.L.C. ("The Free Network" or "Applicant"), hereby requests authority, pursuant to Section 214 of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, 47 U.S.C. Section 214 (1982), and Section 63.18 of the Commission's Rules, 47 C.F.R. Section 63.18, to provide global international resale services between the United States and international points.

The Free Network is a U.S. limited liability company currently providing domestic long distance telecommunications service and now desires to expand its operations to include the provision of international telecommunications services. The Free Network is currently obtaining the certifications necessary to serve residential and business customers on an intrastate basis in a majority of states.

By granting this application, the Commission will serve the public interest, convenience and necessity by promoting competition in the international services market. Competition will benefit U.S. consumers by increasing service options and lowering prices. Thus, the public interest will be served by the grant of Section 214 authority to The Free Network.

Section 63.18 Information:

The following information is submitted, as required by Section 63.18 of the Commission's Rules, in support of The Free Network's request for authorization:

- (a) Name and address of Applicant:

The Free Network, L.L.C.
1607 E. Big Beaver Road
Suite 105
Troy, Michigan 48083
Ph. (248) 526-1000
- (b) Applicant is a limited liability company which was organized under the laws of the State of Michigan on July 10, 1997.
- (c) Correspondence concerning this application should be sent to:

Monica R. Borne
Nowalsky, Bronston & Gothard
3500 N. Causeway Blvd.
Suite 1442
Metairie, Louisiana 70002
Ph. (504) 832-1984
- (d) The Free Network has not received authority previously under Section 214 of the Communications Act.
- (e) The Free Network requests global international resale Section 214 authority pursuant to the terms and conditions of Section 63.18(e)(2) of the Commission's Rules.
- (f) At this time, The Free Network seeks no other authorization available under Section 63.18(e).
- (g) Not applicable.

(h) The Free Network certifies that it is not affiliated with any foreign or U.S. facilities-based carrier.

In support of this certification, the name, address, citizenship and principal business of the ten percent or greater shareholders of The Free Network are as follows:

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Brad J. Tayles (10% shareholder)
1607 E. Big Beaver Rd.
Suite 105
Troy, MI 48083
Principal Business: President of The Free Network, L.L.C.
Citizenship: USA

Vitaliano Terracciano (24% shareholder)
1607 E. Big Beaver Rd.
Suite 105
Troy, MI 48083
Principal Business: Vice President of The Free Network, L.L.C.
Citizenship: USA

David Rutz (24% shareholder)
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Principal Business: Vice President of The Free Network, L.L.C.
Citizenship: USA

Christopher Kollman (10% shareholder)
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Principal Business: Vice President of The Free Network, L.L.C.
Citizenship: USA

Tara Luzod (5% shareholder)
1607 E. Big Beaver Rd.
Suite 105

Troy, MI 48083
Principal Business: Vice President of The Free Network, L.L.C.
Citizenship: USA

George Verstraete (24% shareholder)
1607 E. Big Beaver Rd.
Suite 105

Troy, MI 48083
Principal Business:
Citizenship: USA

Alger Rutz (3% shareholder)
1607 E. Big Beaver Rd.
Suite 105
Troy, MI 48083
Principal Business:
Citizenship: USA

(i) The Free Network certifies that it has not agreed and will not agree in the future to accept any direct or indirect special concessions from a foreign carrier or administration with regards to traffic or revenue flows between the United States and any foreign countries the Company is authorized to serve.

(j) The Free Network certifies that no party to this application has been denied federal benefits pursuant to Section 5301 of the Anti-Drug Abuse Act of 1988.

Conclusion:

In conclusion, The Free Network certifies that all of the information in this application is accurate and correct.

For these reasons, The Free Network respectfully request that the Commission grant this application.

Respectfully Submitted,
The Free Network, L.L.C.

By:



Brad J. Tayles, President
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Date: 12/07/98