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Re: Centennial Telecommunications, Inc.  
Application for Section 214 Global Authority to Operate as a Facilities-  
Based and Resale Carrier of International Telecommunications Services

Dear Madam/Sir:

Submitted herewith are an original and five copies of the above-captioned Application for Section 214 Global Authority to Operate as a Facilities-Based and Resale Carrier of International Telecommunications Services, being filed by Centennial Telecommunications, Inc. A check in the amount of \$780.00 to cover the applicable filing fee and the required FCC Form 159 are attached hereto.

Please stamp the enclosed "File Copy" of this application with acknowledgment of receipt and return to me in the enclosed self-addressed envelop.

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Sincerely,  
  
Paul J. Feldman

pjfs/re  
Enclosures

cc: Mr. Kevin Chia

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(2) PAYER NAME (if paying by credit card, enter name exactly as it appears on your card) **SOFTTEL TELECOMMUNICATIONS, INC.** (3) TOTAL AMOUNT PAID (dollars and cents) **780.00**

(4) STREET ADDRESS LINE NO. 1  
**700 S Flower St, 11th Fl.**

(5) STREET ADDRESS LINE NO. 2

(6) CITY **Los Angeles** (7) STATE **CA** (8) ZIP CODE **90017**

(9) DAYTIME TELEPHONE NUMBER (include area code) (10) COUNTRY CODE (if not in U.S.A.)

**IF PAYER NAME AND THE APPLICANT NAME ARE DIFFERENT, COMPLETE SECTION B  
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**SECTION B - APPLICANT INFORMATION**

(11) APPLICANT NAME (if paying by credit card, enter name exactly as it appears on your card)  
**Centennial Telecommunications, Inc.**

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**SECTION C - PAYMENT INFORMATION**

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**SECTION E - CERTIFICATION**

(27) CERTIFICATION STATEMENT  
I, \_\_\_\_\_, (PRINT NAME)  
\_\_\_\_\_, Certify under penalty of perjury that the foregoing and supporting information  
are true and correct to the best of my knowledge, information and belief. SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_

**SECTION F - CREDIT CARD PAYMENT INFORMATION**

(28) MASTERCARD/VISA ACCOUNT NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_ EXPIRATION DATE: \_\_\_\_\_  
MONTH YEAR

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

In re Application of )  
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Centennial Telecommunications, Inc. ) File No. \_\_\_\_\_ )  
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For Authority under Section 214 of the )  
Communications Act of 1934, as amended, )  
and Sections 63.18(e)(1) and 63.18(e)(2) )  
of the Commission's Rules to Operate as a )  
Facilities-Based Carrier and as a Resale )  
Carrier, Including Authority to Resell Private )  
Lines Between the United States and Canada, )  
the United Kingdom, The Netherlands, )  
Luxembourg, Norway, Denmark, France, )  
New Zealand, Australia, Germany, Belgium )  
Switzerland, Austria, Japan, Italy, Ireland, )  
Hong Kong, Sweden, Spain, and Iceland )  
for Provision of Switched Services Between )  
the United States and Those Countries )  
\_\_\_\_\_ )

**APPLICATION**

Centennial Telecommunications, Inc., ("Centennial") hereby requests authority, pursuant to Section 214 of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, 47 U.S.C. § 214, and Section 63.18(e)(1) of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. § 63.18(e)(1), to acquire interests in facilities previously authorized by the Commission in order to provide international basic switched, private line, data, television and business services to all international points, and for authority under Section 63.18(e)(2) of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. § 63.18(e)(2), to resell the international switched services of authorized U.S. common carriers for the provision of international basic

switched, private line, data, television and business services to all international points, including authority to resell international private lines between the United States and Canada, the United Kingdom, Sweden, New Zealand, Australia, The Netherlands, Luxembourg, Norway, Denmark, France, Germany, Belgium, Austria, Switzerland, Japan, Italy, Ireland, Hong Kong, Spain and Iceland for the provision of switched services between the United States and those countries.

Centennial is a corporation organized under the laws of the state of California. Its shareholders, directors, and officers are citizens of Singapore. The Company currently holds no telecommunications authorizations, and has no interlocking directorates or affiliations with foreign carriers.

Centennial believes that there is significant potential for continued growth in the international voice, data and facsimile markets and that this market expansion will be accelerated by additional competition by new entrants. This position is consistent with Commission findings that increased competition in international markets is beneficial. See, e.g., Teltec Saving Communications Co., Mimeo No. 3548 (released April 4, 1986), and cases cited therein. The Commission also found that the market will support additional carriers and that the added competition will be in the public interest. Accordingly, the Commission has authorized new entrants that propose to resell international services. Id. See also FITC, Inc., 6 FCC Rcd 2237 (1991).

Centennial proposes by this application to provide resold international switched and private line services from the United States to international points through resale of other carriers' services. The Commission has determined that, as a matter of policy,

introduction of additional competition in the provision of international services creates incentives for carriers to offer new and innovative services and to reduce prices, which inures to the public interest and benefit.<sup>1</sup> Grant of this application would service the Commission's purposes and accord with the Commission's commitment to open entry to the U.S. resale market. Moreover, many carriers provide international services in the U.S., including AT&T, MCI, Sprint, and others.

By the instant application, Centennial seeks authority to resell international private lines between the United States and Canada, the United Kingdom, Sweden, New Zealand, Australia, The Netherlands, Luxembourg, Norway, Denmark, France, Germany, Belgium, Austria, Switzerland, Japan, Italy, Ireland, Hong Kong, Spain and Iceland for the provision of international switched services between the United States and those sixteen countries. In Regulation of International Accounting Rates, 7 FCC Rcd 559 (1992), the Commission found that such resale between the United States and countries affording "equivalent opportunities" for such resale would afford numerous public interest benefits, including increased demand, reduced prices, the virtual elimination of price discriminations, and the exertion of pressure to reduce above-cost international accounting rates. More recently, the Commission has determined that Canada, the United Kingdom, Sweden, New Zealand, Australia, The Netherlands, Luxembourg, Norway, Denmark, France, Germany, Belgium, Austria, Switzerland, Japan, Italy, Ireland, Hong Kong, Spain and Iceland afford such "equivalent

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<sup>1</sup> See, e.g., TDX Systems, Inc., File No. ITC-86-108, released September 2, 1986; Argo Communications International, Inc., 1 FCC Rcd 578 (1986); BT North America, Inc., ITC-95-178, released April 20, 1995.

opportunities" and granted the applications of companies to provide resold interconnected private line services between the United States and those countries. FONOROLAMEMI Order, 7 FCC Rcd 7312 (1992), recons., 9 FCC Rcd 4066 (1994); ACC Global Corporation, 9 FCC Rcd 6240 (1994); Cable & Wireless Inc., 11 FCC Rcd 1766 (1996). See also Intermedia Communications of Florida, Inc., 9 FCC Rcd 3264 (1994); Communications TeleSystems International, 11 FCC Rcd 17471 (1996); Cable & Wireless, Inc., DA 97-2554, released December 17, 1997; FCC Public Notice, Report No. TEL-00021, released October 22, 1998, page 4.

Centennial believes that the added competition that its entry will bring to the market will benefit United States consumers of overseas data and voice services.

These benefits include competitive pricing and increased availability of a variety of service options. The grant of this authorization will therefore further the public interest.

In support of Centennial's request for authorization, the following information is submitted pursuant to Section 63.18 of the Commission's rules, as amended, 47 C.F.R.

§ 63.18 (1996):

(a) Name and address of Applicant:

Centennial Telecommunications, Inc.  
700 South Flower Street, 11th Floor  
Los Angeles, CA. 90017  
Tel. No. 213-892-6389  
ATTN: Mr. Kevin Chia

(b) Applicant is a corporation organized under the laws of the state of California.



(c) Correspondence concerning this Application should be sent to:

Paul J. Feldman, Esq.  
Fletcher, Heald & Hildreth, PLC  
1300 North 17th Street, 11<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Arlington, Virginia 22209  
Telephone No. (703) 812-0400

- (d) Applicant has not previously received authority under Section 214 of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended. By grant of this application Centennial would become a nondominant international common carrier for the provision of interexchange service, subject to Section 214 of the Act.
- (e) Centennial hereby requests Section 214 authority to operate as a global facilities-based carrier pursuant to the terms and conditions of Section 63.18(e)(1) of the rules, and as an international resale carrier pursuant to the terms and conditions of Section 63.18(e)(2) of the rules. The authorization sought in this application will be used to extend Centennial's telecommunications services from the United States to international points which Centennial seeks to serve. Applicant proposes to resell international private lines between the United States and Canada, the United Kingdom, New Zealand, Australia, The Netherlands, Luxembourg, Norway, Denmark, France, Germany, Belgium, Switzerland, Austria, Japan, Italy, Sweden, Spain and Iceland for the provision of international switched services between the United States and those countries. As noted elsewhere in this Application, the Commission has previously

determined that equivalent resale opportunities exist between these countries and the United States. Centennial hereby certifies that it will comply with the terms and conditions contained in Sections 63.21 and 63.23 of the Commission's Rules.

(f) At this time, Centennial is not seeking any other authorization available under Section 63.18(e).

(g) Does not apply (Applicant is not seeking facilities-based authority pursuant to Section 63.18(e)(4)).

(h) One person holds 100 percent of the equity of the Applicant. The following is that person's name, address, citizenship and principal business:

Mr. Kevin Chia Mei Kwang  
Centennial Telecommunications, Inc.  
700 South Flower Street, 11th Floor  
Los Angeles, CA. 90017

Mr. Chia Mei Kwang is a citizen of Singapore. His principal business is being President of the Applicant.

The Applicant has no interlocking directorates with a foreign carrier.

(i) See attached certification (no affiliation with foreign carriers).

(j) See attached certification (no provision of service to destination countries where affiliation exists).

(k) Does not apply, since no destinations listed in response to paragraph (j) above.

(l) Does not apply, since Applicant is not a foreign carrier, and not affiliated

with a foreign carrier.

(m) Does not apply, since Applicant is not a foreign carrier, and not affiliated with a foreign carrier.

(n) See attached certification (no agreement to accept special concessions).

### Conclusion

As demonstrated in this Application, Centennial is legally qualified to provide the service for which it requests authority. For the reasons stated above, Centennial submits that the public interest, convenience and necessity would be furthered by a grant of this Section 214 application. The requested authorization should therefore be issued to Centennial to enable it to provide international basic switched, private line, data, television and business services to all international points pursuant to Section 63.18(e)(1) of the Commission's rules, and pursuant to Section 63.18(e)(2) of the Commission's rules, to resell the international switched services of authorized U.S. common carriers for the provision of international basic switched, private line, data, television and business services to all international points, including authority to resell international private lines between the United States and Canada, the United Kingdom, Sweden, New Zealand, Australia, The Netherlands, Luxembourg, Norway, Denmark, France, Germany, Belgium, Austria, Switzerland, Japan, Italy, Ireland, Hong Kong,

Spain and Iceland for the provision of switched services between the United States and those countries.

Respectfully submitted,  
CENTENNIAL TELECOMMUNICATIONS, INC.

By: 

Paul J. Feldman  
Its Attorney

Fletcher, Heald & Hildreth, PLC  
1300 North 17<sup>th</sup> Street, 11<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Arlington, VA 22209  
(703) 812-0400

May 24, 1999

SECTION 63.18 CERTIFICATION

Centennial Telecommunications, Inc. ("Applicant") hereby certifies as follows:

1. It is not a foreign carrier, nor does it have any affiliation with a foreign carrier, as defined by Section 63.18 of the Commission's rules. Applicant has no interlocking directorates with other Section 214 certificated telecommunications carriers.
2. It does not seek to provide international telecommunications services to any destination country for which any of the following is true:
  - Applicant is a foreign carrier in that country;
  - Applicant controls a foreign carrier in that country; or
  - Any entity that owns more than 25 percent of Applicant or controls Applicant controls a foreign carrier in that country.
  - Two or more foreign carriers (or parties that control foreign carriers) own, in the aggregate, more than 25 percent of the Applicant and are parties to, or the beneficiaries of, a contractual relationship affecting the provision or marketing of international basic telecommunications services in the United States.
3. Neither it nor its respective affiliates have agreed to accept special concessions directly or indirectly from any foreign carrier with respect to any U.S. International route where the foreign carrier possesses market power on the foreign end of the route, and will not enter into such agreements in the future.

By: 

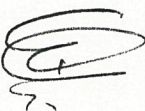
Kevin Chia Mei Kwang  
President  
Centennial Telecommunications, Inc.

May 25, 1999

CERTIFICATION

Pursuant to Section 1.2002 of the Commission's Rules, Centennial Telecommunications, Inc. hereby certifies that it is not subject to a denial of Federal benefits, including FCC benefits, by Federal and/or state courts under authority granted in Section 5301 of the Anti-Drug Abuse Act of 1988, 21 U.S.C. § 853a. See 6 FCC Rcd 7551 (1991).

By:



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Kevin Chia Mei Kwang  
President  
Centennial Telecommunications, Inc.

May 21, 1999

DECLARATION

I, Kevin Chia Mei Kwang, am President of Centennial Telecommunications, Inc.

I have read the foregoing Section 214 Application and hereby declare, under penalty of perjury, that all statements contained therein are true and correct.



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May 25, 1999