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- SPECIAL TEMPORARY AUTHORITY
- SUBMARINE CABLE LANDING LICENSE

Description of Application: _____

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

In the Matter of

ARTEL, INC.

File No. _____

Application for Authority to Operate as a Facilities-Based Carrier in Accordance with the Provisions of Section 63.18 (e) (1) of the Rules and also to Provide Resale Service in Accordance with the Provisions of Section 63.18 (e) (2) of the Rules.

To: Chief, International Bureau

Application

ARTEL, Inc. ("Applicant"), pursuant to Section 214 of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended (47 U.S.C. § 214) and Section 63.18 of the Commission's rules (47 C.F.R. § 63.18), hereby applies for such authority as may be required to operate as a facilities-based carrier to provide international basic switched, private line, data, television, and business services to all international points permitted to be served by the Commission. In addition, the Applicant applies for such authority as may be required to resell the international services of authorized United States common carriers, including international private lines interconnected with the public switched network to the extent permitted by the Commission's rules, for the provision of international basic switched, private line, data, television, and business services to all international points.

Grant of this application 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 Applicant.

Pursuant to Section 63.18, the following information is submitted in support of this application:

(a) The name, address and telephone number of the Applicant is:

ARTEL, Inc.
1893 Preston White Drive
Reston, VA 20191
(703) 620-1700 (Phone)
(703) 620-4262 (Fax)

(b) The Applicant is a corporation organized under the laws of the Commonwealth of Virginia.

(c) Correspondence concerning this application should be addressed to:

Abbas Yazdani
President
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1893 Preston White Drive
Reston, VA 20191
(703) 620-1700 (Phone)
(703) 620-4262 (Fax)

with copies of all correspondence to:

Mitchell F. Brecher
Greenberg Traurig, LLP
800 Connecticut Avenue, NW
Suite 500
Washington, DC 20006
(202) 331-3100 (Telephone)
(202) 331-3101 (Facsimile)

(d) The Applicant does not hold any Section 214 Authority.

(e) The Applicant is herein requesting authority under Section 214 of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, to operate as a facilities-based international carrier pursuant to the terms and conditions of Sections 63.18(e)(1), 63.21, and 63.22 of the Commission's rules, as well as any and all other rules and regulations of the Commission applicable thereto. In addition, the Applicant is herein requesting authority to resell the international services of authorized United States common carriers, including international private lines interconnected with the public switched network to the extent permitted by the Commission's rules, for the provision of international basic switched, private line, data, television, and business services to all international points pursuant to Sections 63.18 (e) (1), 63.21, and 63.23 of the Commission's rules, as well as any and all other rules and regulations of the Commission applicable thereto.

(f) Not Applicable.

(g) Not Applicable.

(h) The Applicant has no affiliation with any United States carriers whose facilities it proposes to resell, and there are no interlocking directors. In support of this certification, the following person owns or controls, directly or indirectly, ten percent or more of Applicant:

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Citizenship: United States of America
Principal Business: Telecommunications

Ownership Interest: 100%

(i) The Applicant certifies that it is not a foreign carrier, nor does it have an affiliation with any foreign carrier.

(j) The Applicant certifies that it does not seek to provide international telecommunications services to any destination country in which the Applicant is a foreign carrier, the Applicant controls a foreign carrier, any entity that owns more than 25 percent of the Applicant or that controls the Applicant, controls a foreign carrier, or 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 beneficiaries of, a contractual relation affecting the provision or marketing of international telecommunications services in the United States.

(k) Not Applicable.

(l) Not Applicable.

(m) Not Applicable.

(n) The Applicant certifies that it has not agreed and will not agree in the future to accept any direct or indirect special concessions from any foreign carrier with respect to any United States international route where any such foreign carrier possesses market power on the foreign end of the route.

(o) The Applicant certifies, pursuant to Sections 1.2001 through 1.2003 of the Commission's rules (47 C.F.R. §§ 1.2001-1.2003), that no party to this application is subject to a denial of Federal benefits pursuant to Section 5301 of the Anti-Drug Abuse Act of 1988 (21 U.S.C. § 853a).

(p) The Applicant desires streamlined processing of this application pursuant to Section 63.12 of the Commission's rules. The Applicant is eligible for such streamlined processing because none of the exceptions which would disqualify the Applicant from eligibility as set forth in Section 63.12(c) of the Commission's rules are applicable.

In conclusion, the Applicant certifies that all of the information in this application is complete and correct. In view of the information contained herein, the Applicant respectfully submits that it is legally, technically, and financially qualified to provide global international facilities-based services, and international resale services and that grant of this application will serve the present and future public interest, convenience and necessity. Accordingly, the Applicant requests that the Commission act expeditiously and favorably on this application.

Respectfully submitted,

ARTEL, INC.

By: 
Abbas Yazdani

Dated: April 3, 2000

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