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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20554

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In the Matter of	)	
ORWELL COMMUNICATIONS, INC.	)	
dba ORWELL LONG DISTANCE	)	Streamlined
Application for authority pursuant	)	ITC-214-20001019-00628
to Section 214 of the Communications	)	ORWELL COMMUNICATIONS, INC.
Act of 1934, as amended for global	)	ORWELL LONG DISTANCE
authority to operate as an	)	
international resale carrier	)	

Telecom Division  
International Bureau

### Application

Orwell Communications, Inc. dba Orwell Long Distance ("Orwell Long Distance") 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.

Orwell Long Distance is a trade name of Orwell Communications, Inc., a U.S. company organized under the laws of the state of Ohio to provide, among other things, international telecommunications services. Orwell Long Distance has no foreign affiliations. Orwell Long Distance will serve business and residential customers in the United 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 Orwell Long Distance.

### Section 63.18 Information

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

(a) Orwell Long Distance  
70 S. Maple Street  
Orwell, Ohio 44076-0337  
(440) 437-6111

(b) Orwell Long Distance is a trade name of Orwell Communications, Inc., which is a corporation organized under the laws of the State of Ohio.

(c) Correspondence concerning this application should be sent to:  
Phillip D. Maag  
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Columbus Grove, Ohio 45830  
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and

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(614) 469-3200

(d) Orwell Long Distance has not received authority previously under Section 214 of the Communications Act.

(e) Orwell Long Distance is requesting Section 214 authority to operate as a resale carrier pursuant to the terms and conditions of Section 63.18(e)(2) of the Commission's Rules. Orwell Long Distance 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, Orwell Long Distance seeks no other authorization available under Section 63.18(e).

(g) Not applicable.

(h) In support of this certification, the name, address, citizenship and principal business of the sole shareholder that controls ten percent or more of Orwell Long Distance is as follows:

The Orwell Telephone Company  
70 S. Maple Street  
Orwell, Ohio 44076-0337  
(440) 437-6111

Principal Business: Provide various telecommunications services.  
Citizenship: Organized under the laws of the State of Ohio, U.S.A.

The name, address, citizenship and principal business of the sole shareholder that controls ten percent or more of The Orwell Telephone Company is as follows:

MJD Ventures, Inc.  
521 East Morehead Street, Suite 250  
Charlotte, North Carolina 28202

Principal Business: Provide various telecommunications services.  
Citizenship: Organized under the laws of the State of North Carolina, U.S.A.

The name, address, citizenship and principal business of the sole shareholder that controls ten percent or more of MJD Ventures, Inc. is as follows:

FairPoint Communications, Inc.  
521 East Morehead Street, Suite 250  
Charlotte, North Carolina 28202

Principal Business: Holding Company (Telecommunications)  
Citizenship: Organized under the laws of the State of Delaware, U.S.A.

The name, address, citizenship and principal business of the shareholders that control ten percent or more of FairPoint Communications, Inc. are as follows:

(1) Kelso & Co.  
320 Park Avenue, 24<sup>th</sup> Floor  
New York, New York 10022

Principal Business: Venture capital investment firm.  
Citizenship: Organized under the laws of the State of Delaware, U.S.A.  
Ownership: No single entity or person owns a 10% or more interest in this company.



- (2) Thomas H. Lee Equity Fund IV, L.P.  
75 State Street  
Boston, Massachusetts 02109

Principal Business:  
Citizenship: Limited Partnership organized under the laws of the State of Delaware  
Ownership: No single entity or person owns a 10% or more interest in this limited partnership

- (3) JED Communications Associates, Inc.  
521 East Morehead Street, Suite 250  
Charlotte, North Carolina 28202

Principal Business: Stock Ownership Trust  
Citizenship: Organized under the laws of the State of New York, U.S.A.

- (4) Jack H. Thomas  
521 East Morehead Street, Suite 250  
Charlotte, North Carolina 28202

Principal Business: CEO, FairPoint Communications, Inc.  
Citizenship: U.S.A.

- (5) Meyer Haberman  
Interquest, Inc., 98 Cutter Mill Road  
Great Neck, New York 11021

Principal Business: Executive Recruitment  
Citizenship: U.S.A.

- (i) Orwell Long Distance certifies that it is not affiliated with any foreign or U.S. facilities-based toll carrier.

- (j) Orwell Long Distance certifies that it does not seek to provide international telecommunications services to any destination country for which the any of the statements contained in Section 63.18(j) of the Commission's Rules are true.

- (k) Not applicable.

- (l) Not applicable.

- (m) Not applicable.

- (n) Orwell Long Distance 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 U.S. international route where the foreign carrier possesses market power on the foreign end of the route.

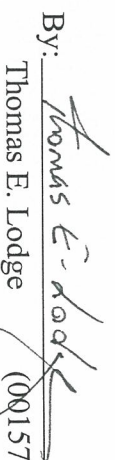
- (o) Orwell Long Distance certifies that no party to this application has been denied federal benefits pursuant to Section 5301 of the Anti-Drug Abuse Act of 1988.
- (p) Orwell Long Distance hereby requests streamlined processing pursuant to Section 63.12 of the Commission's Rules due to the fact that none of the statements contained in Section 63.12(c) of the Commission's Rules pertain to Orwell Long Distance.

#### Conclusion

In conclusion, Orwell Long Distance certifies that all of the information in this application is accurate and correct. For these reasons, Orwell Long Distance respectfully requests that the Commission grant this application.

Respectfully submitted,

ORWELL COMMUNICATIONS, INC. dba  
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